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RELIGIOUS, SOCIAL, AND THEATRICAL TOPICS.

TROUBLE IN THE CHURCH—MISS BRADDON AS A BIGAMIST—THE METROPOLITAN PLAY-HOUSES.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Nov. 7, 1874.

I do not know whether any of your readers would like to belong to the new branch of the so-called "Old Catholic Church," about to be established in London. You are aware that the pilgrimage of English Roman Catholics to Lourdes was conducted under the auspices of the enterprising Mr. Cook, a Wesleyan Methodist by religion, but a tourist agent by trade. It is equally characteristic of the age we live in that the first congregation of English Old Catholics is being founded by means of advertisements. It had been rumored for some time past in clerical circles that a congregation of Old Catholics was about to be formed in Toulon, and that similar congregations would afterward be brought together in the chief provincial towns. The programme of the new Church, judging from the advertisements which have lately been published by various London newspapers, has the merit of being very concise. Thus it limits the number of dogmas necessary for acceptance by its members to those of the first seven Ecumenical Councils. A correspondent who writes to me on this subject and begs me to help him in spreading the news of this modern reformation—which will scarcely, I think, prove so important as the Reformation of the sixteenth century—asserts that "the consequence of the adoption of such a standard of belief will be to sever at one blow the chains forged in Vatican workshops of which Papal supremacy, indulgences, the immaculate conception, and the infallibility of the Holier Prelate form successive links." "There are many," continues my correspondent, "who would be only too glad to escape from the burden which their Ultramontane brethren in the faith have foisted upon them, but who, at the same time, would shrink from contact with that form of religion which is embodied in the vulgar fanaticism of Exeter Hall, or with that which displays itself in shallow and pretentious Ritualism. To such as these the present movement must prove of great value, retaining, as it does, every truth promulgated by the church of undivided Christendom, but rejecting those additions devised by the subtle genius of Rome. With all deference to my correspondent, this looks to me very like a religion of dilettanteism. To be an Evangelical Christian of Low Church pattern is to be a "vulgar fanatic," to be a High Church Ritualist is to be a "shallow pretender." Why not keep between these two extremes with the great body of the Church of England? The preachers, however, of the new church prefer to go a step beyond the Ritualists who are accused of "shallow pretentions," because while styling themselves "Catholics," and denouncing "Protestants" week after week in their organ, the *Church Times*, they yet keep within the pale of the Establishabed Church of England.

POSSIBLE RESULTS.

I do not think this religious "revolution from above" will lead to much. It will give us a sect of High Church Dissenters, in which a certain number of Ritualists will be included; but I cannot believe that one English Roman Catholic will join it. The Old Catholic Church came into existence in Germany under political instigation. Though it doubtless has a religious basis, and though its members may, with the exception of some of the leaders, be perfectly sincere, it can be shown by the clearest historical evidence that Bismarck started it with the view of weakening the Roman Catholic Church in Germany. It would never have been heard of as an organized body had not Prince Bismarck been alarmed by the attitude taken toward his Government by the Roman Catholic Church, of which he saw, or thought he saw, the first symptoms in the address on behalf of the Pope presented to him at Versailles on the part of the Roman Catholic clergy of Posen. The Dusseldorf correspondent of that excellent Church of England newspaper, the *Guardian*, estimated a few months ago the number of Old Catholics in the whole of Germany, basing his calculation on official statistics, at 50,000; and the noise which this small body of Catholic dissenters has made in the world is due more to political than to religious causes. In England a Roman Catholic may become a Protestant or he may become a free-thinker. But I do not see what reason he can have for joining the newly-advertised congregation of Old Catholics.

MISS BRADDON IN TROUBLE.

A curious and, I may almost say, characteristic incident has happened to Miss Braddon, the novelist. Having, like so many of her heroines, committed a species of bigamy, she has at last been found out. I say a "species of bigamy," because, far from becoming the wife of two husbands, all Miss Braddon did was to go through some facetious form of marriage with a man who was already married. She thus became, not indeed a bigamist, but, at least, an accomplice in bigamy. Well, a few weeks ago, Mr. Maxwell, Miss Braddon's publisher, and *soi-disant* husband, lost his legitimate wife, who died, I believe, in a lunatic asylum. That, in a novel, would have solved the difficulty. In real life, however, it has had quite a contrary effect. Mr. Knowles, the eminent architect, editor of the *Contemporary Review*, designer of the Lemster Square Garden, and I do not know what besides, happened to be the brother of the first Mrs. Maxwell; and he, in the ordinary course of things, but undoubtedly with a special purpose, caused the death of his sister, "wife of Mr. Maxwell, of Richmond, publisher," to be announced in the newspapers. Many persons thought Miss Braddon was no more; and probably Mr. Maxwell received letters of condolence on the subject. In any case he sent a circular to his friends disclaiming all knowledge of the circumstances under which the death of Mrs. Maxwell had been "maliciously announced;" but (of necessity) without furnishing any explanation of the mystery. To this Mr. Knowles has replied by another circular, in which he reproduces telegrams from Mr. Maxwell expressing regret at the news of his wife's death, and giving orders for the funeral, which is to be managed economically. The indignant brother has sent these circulars out in such large numbers that there can be no impropriety in my informing you of their contents.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

Although nearly all the theatres are open—the Queen's Theatre in Long Acre being the only one without an occupant—some of our best actors and actresses are disengaged. Mr. Hare has left the Prince of Wales' Theatre; Mr. and Mrs. Kendal (Miss Madge Robertson) have left the Haymarket. Miss Moodie, too, a young actress who appeared two months ago at the Haymarket with Mlle. Beatrice's Company, and took the liberty of acting very much better than Mlle. Beatrice finds herself for that reason without employment. If my means and tastes allowed me to speculate in rising dramatic genius, I should endeavor to engage Miss Moodie for a term of years, convinced that before long she must take a very high position on the English stage. Apart from more important qualities she dresses better and has a better demeanor, and generally a better style, than the great majority of English actresses; so that, were she mistress of the French language, which, for all I know to the contrary she may be, she might certainly make her mark among the best dramatic actresses of Paris. What I wish to lead up to is this, that though all our theatres are doing well just now in a pecuniary point of view, dramatic art is, for the time being, but poorly represented in London. At best half our theatres are given up to distorted Anglicized versions of French operas bouffes, while at the remaining half burlesque, spectacle, or melodrama form the principal attraction. Out of some twenty theatres the only three at which reasonable dramatic entertainment is offered to the public are the Vaudeville, where Albery's charming comedy of th "Two Roses" is being played; the Haymarket, where Mr. Sothern is still amusing provincial visitors with his immortal, or at least interminable, impersonation of *Lord Dundreary*; and the Prince of Wales', where Robertson's pieces are constantly played, and where "Society" will be revived this evening, after which Mr. W. S. Gilbert's new duodrama, called "Sweethearts," will be played for the first time. This little piece which, as you are aware, is constructed on the very slightest basis, though the action is extended over two acts, was written for Miss Marie Wilton (Mrs. Bancroft) and Mr. Hare. Mr. Hare, having in consequence of a misunderstanding, left the theatre, the part of the male sweetheart has been intrusted to Mr. Coghlan, who possesses much dramatic vigor, but is certainly incapable of playing with all the requisite light and shade the sort of part which would have suited Mr. Hare. Mr. Hare is an actor of great refinement, attending scrupulously to details, and, as might be expected from that fact, possesses more delicacy than force. Mr. Coghlan, on the other hand, has no niceties of style, and as a rule is only effective in strong situations. The managers of the Prince of Wales' Theatre had hoped to induce Mr. and Mrs. Kendal to join the company; but thinking perhaps that they would be expected to play second to Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft, these excellent artists have declined the offer made to them. Thus the Prince of Wales' has lost Mr. Hare without gaining any one in his place. Nor will the directors know precisely what to do with Mr. Coghlan. That moderately good tragedian had been engaged to play *Shylock* in the "Merchant of Venice," but in consequence of the refusal of the Kendals to join the company Shakespeare has been abandoned, and Robertson once more taken up.

A NEW BURLESQUE.

The opening of the Opera Comique, under the management of Miss Amy Sheridan, was to have taken place to-night. But it has been postponed until Saturday next, when Mr. Burnand's so-called "opera-bouffe extravaganza" on the subject of "Ixion" will be produced. The story of Ixion is Mr. Burnand's favorite theme. First he treated it as a burlesque—and a very excellent burlesque the first Ixion was. Then he produced a new version of the burlesque with additional songs. Now the burlesque becomes an "opera-bouffe extravaganza," and I am in hopes of seeing it some day brought out as an oratorio.

S. E.

THE GREAT TROTTING MATCH.

JUDGE FULLERTON WINS THE PURSE—SAM PURDY COMES IN SECOND, AND OCCIDENT A BAD THIRD.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 21.—The trot for a purse of $6,000, mile heats, best three in five, to wagon, postponed from Nov. 7, took place to-day at Golden Gate Driving Park, the contestants being Occident, Judge Fullerton, and Sam Purdy. Occident had the call in the betting until this morning, when Fullerton became the favorite at slight odds. Sam Purdy last choice. The weather was fair. The attendance was immense, and included quite a number of Eastern turfmen, who strongly backed Fullerton. The adjoining elevated ground of Lane Mountain was also crowded with people anxious to get a view of the race.

At 1:30 P. M. Occident and Judge Fullerton were selling even in the pools at $100; Sam Purdy, $50. A little later in the afternoon Occident was selling at $350; Fullerton, $300; and Sam Purdy at $150.

Occident, with his driver, Budd Doble, appeared on the track first and commenced exercising. Very soon afterward Judge Fullerton, who was driven by O. A. Hickox, came in view, followed by Sam Purdy and McClellan his driver.

In scoring for position Sam Purdy drew the pole, and Judge Fullerton the outside. Just before the horses were called Occident was selling at $260, Judge Fullerton $250, and Sam Purday at $45. The horses were called up at 2:30, but owing to the nervous restlessness of Occident, it was 2:45 before they finally started, after scoring three times. Judge Fullerton won the heat in 2:20½, Sam Purdy second, and Occident last, four lengths behind the distance flag. The bad behavior of Occident caused his friends to lose faith in him, and he began to sell low in the pools. The judges refused to rule him out as distanced, which caused much dissatisfaction among the friends of the other two contestants.

There were a great many ineffectual attempts made at a start in the second heat, Occident being still restless and breaking badly. After scoring no less than twelve times, the horses finally got started at 4:05. Judge Fullerton again came in first, in 2:22¾, Sam Purdy second, and Occident seventy-five yards behind. Before the start for this heat, Hickox, the driver of Fullerton, was fined $25 for using impudent language to the judges. They ordered him not to water his horse on the track, upon which Hickox remarked that they were "putting on airs."

Before the start for the third heat, Judge Fullerton was a great favorite in the pools, selling at $600 against $250 on the field. The horses were called at 4:30, and easily effected a start. Judge Fullerton again came in ahead, in 2:21¼, winning the race.

LOUISIANA.

INDICTMENTS FOUND AGAINST EX-STATE OFFICIALS FOR BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION.

NEW-ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—The Grand Jury of Placquemine Parish have indicted the following persons: Harry Mahoney, (colored,) an ex-member of the House of Representatives, for embezzling $3,300, as Treasurer of the Board of Education; Edward Butler, (colored,) Ex-State Senator, for receiving a bribe of $1,500; William M. Prescott, Parish Judge since 1868, for bribery and corruption in office, and subornation of perjury; Nicholas Rivan, (colored,) for shooting with intent to kill, blackmailing, and obtaining money under false pretenses by intimidation and threats; Frank White, (colored,) Jailor and Deputy Sheriff, for conniving at the escape of prisoners, including the defaulting State Tax Collector.

The Grand Jury consisted of four white and twelve colored men.

RECOVERED FROM THE LOST EMPIRE.

NEW-ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—Ten bodies so far have been recovered from the wreck of the steamer Empire.

THE HAYDEN EXPEDITION.

EXPERIENCES OF A NOVICE IN ROUGH TRAVELING.

THE DIVISIONS OF THE FORCE—STARTING FROM DENVER—FIRST DAY OUT—THE MOUNTAIN PARKS—A LAND OF RUDE BEAUTY—THE EXPEDITION NO PICNIC PARTY—ROUGH WORK ALL THROUGH.

The United States Geological and Geographical Survey, in charge of Dr. F. V. Hayden, completed the arrangements for explorations in the interior of Colorado, for the season of 1874, about the middle of July, of the present year. The starting point was Denver, where the several different parties met, as being a convenient centre from which to branch off into those portions of the Territory assigned to the heads of the divisions for examination.

The resources of this country had long been believed to be of incomparable value and interest; but very little definite knowledge had been collected, other than the reports of travelers, or the chance information gained from trappers and hunters. As this section of the country is certain in a very few years to become the leading portion of the West, it was of the highest importance that all the information possible should be gained, and that a careful examination, under scientific principals, be entered into. Those who believe the expedition to be one of pleasure, or a picnic party, as it has been termed, labor under a very gross mistake; for to one unaccustomed to such a life and to such work, there are the greatest hardships to be endured, and dangers to be encountered unknown to those who have never experienced the inconveniences and vicissitudes of travel in the far uncivilized West.

I will attempt to relate in brief some of the principal events of adventure and interest which occurred in one of the divisions of the survey during its season's campaign in the Rocky Mountains.

The First Division, under the charge of Mr. A. R. Marvine, geologist, left their first camp at Fisher's Ranch, near Denver, on Monday, the 20th of July. The train consisted of eleven men with their riding animals, and twelve pack-mules. It is a novel and interesting sight to an Eastern man to witness the operation of packing. Mules, on account of their greater powers of endurance, and better adaptation to traveling in the mountains, are preferable to horses for carrying the necessary cargo of the parties, and packing them is quite an art. This has to be done daily for several days previous to starting out, in order to accustom them to being loaded, and to get them thoroughly in working order. The mode of procedure is as follows: Two packers approach a mule, which, if it is a new one, braces up for a buck, springing up in the air and alighting on its four feet, holding the legs perfectly stiff; the blankets and aparahoes are first put on the back of the animal, and, after more or less bucking, are strapped or sinched as tightly as possible, and on these the pack is tied. If a mule is particularly lively or vicious, it will kick out in every direction, and even chase a man around the tree to which he is tied with open mouth and glaring eyes, and it frequently succeeds in scattering the pack for feet around, when, of course, the operation has to be repeated until success crowns the attempts of the men. If it persists, however, in its refusals to be packed, one of its feet is strapped up close to the breast, and even then it will sometimes continue to buck on three legs. But they must all be conquered in the end, and after a few days they become more docile.

If I were to attempt to describe the first day's journey over the plains, between Denver and Golden City, my pen would fail me. The first day is always a trying one to all parties, and can only be fully appreciated by a participant. I shall not enter into any details of the march, of the manner in which the packs are driven along, and of the multiplicity of small events which happen, to try one's patience and powers of endurance. Passing over these minor points, which I am aware have so frequently been vividly described by others, I will carry the reader with me for fifteen miles to our camp, near Golden City. What a relief to alight from your horse and realize that you are once more at liberty to walk the earth and attend to your own personal wants, with no care of mules weighing on your mind! Imagine a level valley, bounded on one side by a range of high hills or hog-backs, and on the other by a line of conical-shaped hills, beyond which, and fifteen miles distant, lies Denver, on the level plains. Such was the spot upon which our first camp-out was pitched, and where we remained three or four days waiting for further supplies, and getting everything in readiness for a long term of work and hardships. I will not dwell upon the description of every-day camp life, but proceed to the recital of events of more interest. One morning we were encamped about a mile from Empire City, a small town or hamlet, composed of a few deserted log huts, three or four occupied cabins, a drug shop, a small inn, and a lager-beer brewery. It was cold and damp, and on all sides we could see the snow-covered peaks of the mountains, standing cold and grim in the distance. We gazed upon them with a chilly distrust, for we were to cross them before evening, and through Berthoude Pass make our way into the Middle Park of Colorado. As the train, drawn out in single file, moved slowly along, ascending higher and higher up the narrow mountain pass—the cook on his bell-horse at the head, followed by the packs, and then by the members of the party, bringing up the rear—we were reminded of the pictures we had seen in our geographies in childhood, of mule trains crossing the winding passes of the Andes. Up the trail, just wide enough for a horse's feet, we worked our way slowly—for a misstep would send one thousands of feet into the gulf below—and in a couple of hours we found ourselves on the broad top of one of the giants of the Snowy range. As far as the eye could see in both directions, rose peak after peak, showing here and there a broad patch of snow on side or summit; a magnificent view, even in its monotony.

But we must now descend the other side, in order to reach Middle Park. It was late in the afternoon when, finding we could not make the Park before sundown, on account of rough traveling and boggy soil, we made camp halfway down the pass, in a little opening on the mountain-side. Just above us glistened the snow and ice, while close past our tents flowed a mountain torrent of ice-cold, crystal water. The night proved uncomfortably cold, and in the morning a heavy frost covered everything. We were soon under way again, picking our steps down the boggy, broken trail. Imagine, if you can, a forest on the mountain side, covered with rocks and roots of mighty trees, in some places so impenetrable that choppers have to go ahead to cut an opening for the train to pass through; in others so boggy that the mules sink up to their bellies in the black mud, and remain helplessly plunging until they are pried out. If you can imagine such a place—where it requires five hours to accomplish a distance of a couple of miles—you can realize the difficulties through which we worked that day in Berthoude Pass; but all things have an ending, and the twilight discovered our party sitting around a roaring camp-fire in Middle Park discussing the events of the day, while with many a joke the time was pleasantly beguiled until the hour of 9 warned us to our downy beds.

Middle Park is a beautiful tract of land, intersected by ranges of hills in all directions. The Hot Sulphur Springs are situated on the banks of the Grand River, and form the principal feature of the park. The peculiarity of these springs is that they flow from the rock at a temperature of 117 degrees Fahrenheit, and they have been turned into a stone reservoir, over which a temporary wooden shed has been constructed for bathing purposes, the sulphur water being said to be very beneficial for many maladies. This point is a rendezvous for a branch of the Ute tribe of Indians, and, although the section is not included within their particular reservation, they seem to consider the entire Middle Park as their exclusive property, and frequently take it upon themselves to drive out settlers or any pleasure-seekers who may happen to visit it. They are ostensibly peaceable, however, being dependent upon the Government for their support. Middle Park is a country, and an interesting one, in itself, but when compared with North Park it sinks into insignificance. We left it and crossed over the divide into the North Park.

Bounded by mountain ranges on all sides, the interior is, for the most part, composed of broad level plains. Over these, in every direction, courses the graceful antelope, and through the mountain forests of the borders range the black-tailed deer and elk. Upon our entrance to the park our hunter described it as "God's Country," and one of the first sights that greeted our eyes, not a mile distant, was a herd of antelopes, numbering nearly four hundred, grazing as peacefully and unconscious of danger as so many sheep in a grassy meadow.

Two weeks' sojourn in this park disclosed to our wondering eyes such scenes as we had never dreamed of, and it is no exaggeration to say that during that time at least five thousand antelopes appeared in sight. What feasting we had of deer, elk, antelope, and bear.

One afternoon in the beginning of August, five of us were encamped above timber line on one of the peaks bordering on the Park. It had been snowing for some time and the neighboring lofty peaks were clothed in white, while the atmosphere about us was raw and cold. We had emerged from our tents to warm our chilled limbs at the camp-fire, when, happening to glance downward into the valley below, we discovered a royal sight. There, stalking contentedly along, was a band of twenty-seven elk. A person used only to seeing these noble animals through the wires of a cage, or penned up in a zoological garden, cannot appreciate the feelings which possess a man, or the thrill which courses through his veins upon seeing them wild in their native haunts, and knowing he has but to approach one and he is his. One of the men descended cautiously, and in less than an hour returned, having left one of the largest lying stiff in death in the ravine. When we repaired to the spot we found it to be an immense bull animal, with a magnificent pair of antlers clothed in velvet. It was with difficulty that two of us raised one of his quarters from the ground. The woods, hills, and plains of this park are literally alive with all the larger game, and as yet very little hunting has been done here. The Ute and Arapahoe Indians, who are hostile to each other, very seldom visit the park for fear of a collision, so that the game is left almost unmolested. At the foot of Rabbit Ears' Peak two grizzlies sallied out of the woods and shambled about before our very camp.

It was with feelings of regret that our party ascended the pass which was to separate us from the scenes of so much enjoyment and sport. As we gained the summit and gazed back, bidding a last farewell to the old park, the land of the antelope, we lingered a few moments while our eyes turned toward the many spots where our labors had been made so sweet by scenes that we would never forget, and so we turned our horses heads onward, bidding good-by to North Park, perhaps forever, with feelings akin to those which we experience when we part from an old friend.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Seventy shipwrecked sailors have lately been forwarded from Quebec to England.

Seventy-five to one hundred seizures of small stocks of liquor were made in Boston on Friday.

William T. Snodgrass, an old and esteemed merchant of Philadelphia, died yesterday morning.

A fire at Woburn, Mass., yesterday, destroyed a currier shop with its contents. The loss is $12,000; insurance $7,200.

The Quebec flour market is without change, buyers favoring American. Stocks not large, but adequate for the demand.

Judge Hopkins, at Atlanta, Ga., yesterday appointed Col. L. P. Grant Receiver of the Atlanta and Richmond Air Line Railroad.

C. T. Knight, a wool dealer of Bethel, Me., disappeared last week. It is now alleged that he is a defaulter to the amount of $30,000 or $40,000.

James Moore and Joseph Norman, miners at Lawrence, Ohio, were instantly killed yesterday by a boiler explosion at the Maple Grove mines.

Joseph H. Drummond, a high official in the Masonic order in the United States, met with a formal reception at the Masonic Temple, Cincinnati, yesterday afternoon.

Francis Carter, of Philadelphia, convicted of kicking his wife, thereby causing her death, was yesterday sentenced to eleven years and six months in the penitentiary.

Allan McDonald, one of the crew of the schooner Oceanus, while fishing off Gloucester, Mass., yesterday, was accidently knocked overboard and drowned. He leaves a wife and eight children.

T. L. Jones, Clerk elect of the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, who was recently declared ineligible by reason of participation in a duel, has signified his intention of appealing to the Court of Appeals.

Lyman Powers, of West Lebanon, N. H., a conductor between White River Junction, and Brattleboro, Vt., was run over yesterday by a mail train on the Northern Railroad. He lost both legs below the knee and has sustained, probably, fatal injuries.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TROUBLES IN ROCHESTER.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 21.—The Board of Education voted last night to close all the public schools of this city on the 30th inst. This action grows out of a conflict with the Common Council relative to further appropriations. The Common Council claim that the board have exhausted all the funds that can legally be voted them during the present year.

THE AMERICAN EXPRESS ROBBERY.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 21.—The American Express Company have tendered pecuniary testimonials to nine members of the Metropolitan Police force for their energy in ferreting out the perpetrators of the recent robbery. The robbers to-day waived an examination in the Police Court, and were committed to jail.

CHICAGO NOTES.

CITY AND COUNTY AFFAIRS.

THE OUTER HARBOR—COAL TRADE OF THE CITY—HOTEL COMPETITION—THE POOR—GRAIN EXCHANGE GAMBLING.

From Our Own Correspondent.

CHICAGO, Thursday, Nov. 19, 1874.

Comparatively few people living in this city are aware of the fact that Chicago boasts an outer harbor, one which has been several years in course of construction, and which will soon be ready for the use of the numerous craft that float upon the lakes. This outer harbor is simply that part of Lake Michigan which is between the shore and a breakwater extending from opposite the mouth of the river to the centre line of Van Buren street, a distance of quite 4,000 feet. The width of this outer harbor is not less than 2,000 feet, thus furnishing a body of still water sufficiently great to float hundreds of lake vessels. A brief description of this harbor may not prove uninteresting. The main breakwater has been built in sections or cribs, each of which is fifty feet long by thirty wide, and varying in depth according to the depth of the water. Eighty-six such cribs have been built and put in position by the United States Government, under whose direction the work has been performed. These cribs were sunk according to a device of Col. Houston, of the Engineers. They are filled with heavy stone, and rise to the height of six feet above high-water mark. The depth of the water at this point is from twenty to twenty-two feet. At the northern terminus of the main breakwater there is a similar breakwater running at right angles a distance of about 1,000 feet, thus leaving an opening from the river into the harbor. This northern pier protects the harbor from the north-east winds and currents, and will prevent its becoming filled up by débris or of diminishing much in depth for many years. It also serves to keep the outer harbor perfectly calm in all weather. The southern extremity of the harbor is to be left entirely open, though the United States Engineer once proposed the construction of a breakwater at this terminus to extend without an opening to the shore. This would even now be constructed were it certain that no more docks would be built for fifteen or twenty years. The authorities hesitate, however, fearing that the dockage and commerce of the port will increase so rapidly that in three or four years a great part would have to be torn up to make a southern entrance and exit for vessels. Of course, this outer harbor will contain many docks, and these are capable of solving a problem which has long vexed the Fire Department of the city. It is proposed to use these docks, as far as possible, for lumber yards, thus withdrawing the lumber business from its present hazardous quarters in the south-western portion of the city. The possibilities for an increase in the extent of dockage and harbor room are almost infinite, and the time is not far distant when a long line of wharves, with a forest of flags of all nations, will greet the eye of all who approach the city by the lake.

THE CHICAGO EXPOSITION.

From the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Inter-State Industrial Exposition, which closed last month, a gratifying account is derived. It is shown that the Exposition building, fixtures, and personal property belonging to the organization, and available for the purpose of holding industrial and art exhibitions, have cost about $325,000. Of this sum the entire amount, except the present outstanding indebtedness of about $30,000, and a little over $4,000 received for rent, has been paid from the net earnings of two exhibitions and within less than eighteen months from the date of the first contract for the construction of the building. When it is remembered that this has been accomplished within three years from the date of our great fire, and during the existence of financial depression and business demoralization, the result can hardly be regarded as less than satisfactory. This result is due to several causes, chief among which is the extreme thoroughness and liberality which have characterized the arrangements for exhibitors in every department. The policy of not offering prizes has also had much to do with the success of the undertaking. Exhibitors were not compelled to submit their contributions to the lottery of a jury trial. At the International Exposition of 1867, the Commissioners, representing all the leading nations of Europe and America, became so deeply impressed with the absurdity of this system of competitive exhibition, and the gross injustice so often resulting from its practical application, that they unanimously recommended its entire abandonment. It is stated that a strong effort is being made to conform the policy of the Centennial of 1876 to this recommendation. The benefits derived directly and indirectly by the people of this city and country from these two expositions is undoubtedly large. These public exhibitions are the great schools where lessons of the highest practical importance may be best studied. By fostering, encouraging, and protecting these great educational agencies, Chicago and the North-west will maintain themselves in the front rank of progress and improvement.

THE COAL TRADE OF CHICAGO.

The recent advance of fifty cents per ton on anthracite coal, and the belief that the price will run up at least fifty cents more during the present week, have made the coal trade a subject of considerable interest hereabouts. The trade in anthracite coal—a coal which in this city is in very general use—furnishes some curious features. The grand total of 20,000,000 tons of anthracite or hard coal mined annually and sent to market, all comes from one small locality in Eastern Pennsylvania. The total area of this anthracite region is not more than 472 square miles. Of the entire product of these mines Chicago takes about one-fortieth part. In 1873, with a production of 20,000,000 tons, this city took 538,837 tons. Of this amount a very large proportion is sent West by rail. The trade in this city is conducted by two parties, viz., those who receive coal from the producers on commission or joint account, and those who purchase by cargo. It is claimed by the latter that the former keep prices at a starvation point in the hope that the cargo buyers will leave the field. While, on account of its cheapness, a much greater amount of bituminous than anthracite is burned in this city, the consumption of the latter is certain to be greater than last year. The stock at this time is 100,000 tons less than the same time last year, while the sales of one firm alone have been sixty per cent. greater than they were during the corresponding period last year. The consumption in this city is mainly by the wealthy and middle classes, the poorer people purchasing the cheaper kinds. Soft coal was never so cheap as now. It is, hereabouts, far more economical than hard coal. A ton of soft coal will furnish almost as much heat as a ton of anthracite, and under the circumstances the use of hard coal for domestic purposes is an extravagance which people in moderate circumstances ought not to indulge in. The stocks here are mostly in the hands of members of the Coal Exchange, all of whom manifest a disposition to obtain "remunerative" prices, or carry their stocks into another year.

HOTEL HOSTILITIES.

The number of first-class hotels in this city has been a theme for comment among all classes of people in various parts of the country. Perhaps in no city in the world, in proportion to the population, are there so many large and fine hotels as in Chicago. That there are too many first-class inns has been frequently asserted, and the truth of this assertion is being fully realized at this time. The number of hotels here is simply enormous, and it can be easily understood why comparatively few of them are paying their expenses. The larger and finer ones are heavily in debt; only the cheaper kind are making money. The Sherman, Grand Pacific, Palmer, Tremont, Clifton, Gardner, Matteson, Briggs, Commercial, Metropolitan, and a half dozen others are among the more prominent of these public caravanseries. Of these not more than three have a trade sufficient to pay the running expenses of the establishment. And yet they manage somehow to keep up a semblance of business, and in mere opposition set a table which is not excelled anywhere on the continent. Everything possible is being done to induce the traveling public to patronize this or that house. Prices are lowered from $4 50 to $2 50, with the privilege of seats in the main dining-room, the only change to the guest consisting of his or her nearness to heaven. Bonifface announces in great large type that hereafter guests may dwell with him either upon the European or the American plan, prices in both instances being given in figures sufficiently large to convince the most skeptical. In opposition to this other Bonifaces advertise the fact that theirs is the only hotel conducted strictly on the American plan, at prices to suit the times. And so the war goes on. The result is a system of comfort and good fare seldom experienced in Western hotels. Rooms are comfortable, tables groan with the luxuries of the season, the traveling public are satisfied.

OUR CITY AND COUNTY POOR.

Judging from what is said by the Superintendent of the Relief and Aid Society, and of the several charitable associations, the poor of this city and county are a great deal better off this year than they were one year ago. This argues a more comfortable winter for them than was anticipated in a previous letter of mine. My judgment at that time was based upon a private conversation held with the County Agent, an official who has exclusive control of the county poor. He thinks the condition of the poor of the city much worse than it was before. He is caring for nearly 600 more families now than one year ago. This increased demand upon him he attributes to the effects of the fire of July last, to a falling off in the demand for labor, and to the fact that manufacturing establishments generally are "running with a small complement of hands." It would seem, however, that the County Agent is being imposed upon; that, in fact, he is distributing more money and supplies than there is any need of. The society's Superintendent, in his report, refers to the fact that last year the city was paralyzed by the panic, which caused a "suspension of building operations; whereas this year it is a perfect beehive." He gives it as his opinion that there are at this time upward of 1,500 houses in process of construction; that these now furnish employment to a large number of carpenters and masons, and that during the Winter months they will keep employed a small army of plasterers, painters, and other finishers. It further appears, upon investigation, that the Board of Public Works are to-day furnishing employment to 2,000 laborers, and that during the last four months the Manager of the Employment Bureau has sent out of the city, having found employment for them in the country, between 8,000 and 10,000 men. It is now the middle of November, and yet we have had but few chilling winds. The fine weather stimulates building, the labor market is active, the savings banks, with a larger aggregate of deposits than last year, are open to the calls of all who have demands upon them, and, on the whole, there is every reason to believe that our city and county poor are in pretty good condition.

GAMBLING IN GRAIN.

In the early part of next week the trial of W. N. Sturgis, a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, commences. The charges were made shortly after the corn corner of last September, and the case is one of more than ordinary consequence, for the reason that it involves the very existence of the board. Mr. Sturgis, the defendant in this case, is more familiarly known as "King Jack," and the causes leading to this trial were telegraphed THE TIMES when the corner was first developed. It is the intention of the Board of Directors to make this a test case, with a view to settle, once for all, the question whether sufficient power resides in the board to crush out the practice of "running corners." Mr. Sturgis, however, not only disputes the charges but denies the jurisdiction of the board, in fact defies it, and proposes to submit the whole case to the courts as a preliminary step to any action of the association of which he is a member. This attitude on his part is particularly objectionable to the board. For if the board may not discipline a member except by tedious process of courts of law and equity, the power to enforce by-laws is practically of no effect. In such an event the disruption of the association follows as a natural sequence. Originally formed to facilitate the transaction of business, the essential condition of membership was the agreement to abide by the rules of the association. An emergency has arisen, one which the board must conquer or its usefulness is gone. A majority of the members have made up their minds to face this emergency. They do not propose longer to bear the odium of grain corners. They do not intend to be parties to a compact which permits speculation in corn and wheat, no whit better than gambling at the card table. These people are merchants, doing a legitimate business. They do not wish to lay wagers on what the market price of grain will be to-morrow or a month from to-morrow. The case is creating a vast deal of interest, but it is openly boasted that nothing will come of it, for the reason that "King Jack" will not appear before the Directors, nor will the Directors dare go before the courts.

THE RIGHT OF BURIAL IN CONSECRATED GROUND.

MONTREAL, Nov. 21.—The celebrated Guibord case has been finally settled. Ecclesiastical burial in the consecrated part of the Catholic cemetery had been refused to the body of Guibord, a Montreal printer, because he had died a member of the Canadian Institute, a society which had in its library works condemned by the clergy, and which society had been excommunicated therefor. The case went through the Canadian courts, and, the position of the clergy having been sustained, was appealed to the Privy Council. Burial in consecrated ground was demanded as a civil, and not as a religious right, as there remained no alternative but to put the body in the place reserved for suicides and other unconfessed malefactors. The following has been received from London by cable:

"To-day, in the Guibord case the appeal is allowed, and burial is ordered in holy grounds, with all the costs, except of the recusation of the Judges. Guibord is entitled to ecclesiastical rights."

CHARLOTTE CUSHMAN SERIOUSLY ILL.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 21.—Charlotte Cushman, the actress, is at the Grand Hotel seriously ill.

LATEST NEWS BY CABLE.

SPAIN.

EDITORS SENT TO PRISON FOR VIOLATING THE PRESS LAWS.

MADRID, Nov. 21.—The editors of *La Prensa*, *La Bandera*, and *El Espanol*, newspapers published in this city, have been arrested and sent to prison for violating the press laws established under the state of siege.

CHINA.

BREECH-LOADING RIFLES ORDERED FROM A GERMAN FACTORY.

BERLIN, Nov. 21.—The Chinese Government has ordered a large quantity of breech-loading rifles from a German factory at Witten.

ITALY.

THE GOVERNMENT DISCOURAGES EMIGRATION TO THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

ROME, Nov. 21.—The Italian Government is taking pains to inform persons who intend emigrating to the Argentine Republic that trade there is at a stand-still in consequence of the political disturbance.

THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

THE REVOLUTIONISTS SURRENDER THE GUN-BOAT PARANA—THE MAILS FOR EUROPE STOPPED.

RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 20.—The gun-boat Parana, of the Argentine revolutionists' flotilla, has been voluntarily surrendered to the Government fleet. Her crew landed at Montevideo.

The Government of the Argentine Republic has stopped the mails from Buenos Ayres for Europe.

TRADE IN RIO JANEIRO.

RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 20.—Trade in this city is dull.

FRANCE.

COUNT DE LA ROCHEFOUCAULD TO BE SECRETARY OF LEGATION AT WASHINGTON.

PARIS, Nov. 21.—Count De La Rochefoucauld, a attaché of the French Legation at Madrid, is gazetted as First Secretary of the Legation at Washington.

GERMANY.

REJECTION OF A MOTION FOR THE RELEASE OF IMPRISONED DEPUTIES.

BERLIN, Nov. 21.—In the Reichstag to-day Deputy Liebknecht offered a motion for the release of several Democratic Deputies who are now in prison.

Herr Windhorst supported the motion, and in the course of his speech hinted at the frequency of arrests, remarking that even an Ambassador was not safe.

Prince Bismarck replied to Herr Windhorst. He said the Deputy had failed to show that any of the arrests made by the Government were illegal. The frequency of arrests was due to the increasing frequency of infringements of the laws. This was even the case in grades of society whose first duty was to foster respect for the law. Prince Bismarck said he was quite ready to discuss these questions of arrests.

Herr Lasker remarked that he was opposed to discussion at present of the motion, saying he preferred its postponement until the debate on judicial reforms had taken place. He regretted the absence of a preliminary public examination into the cases of arrested persons, which would have prevented the dissemination of dubious rumors.

Herr Reichensperger spoke of the persecution and imprisonment of Bishops for conscience sake.

Prince Bismarck, in reply to Herr Reichensperger, said the latter placed the subjective conscience above the objective law. The Ultramontanes and Social Democrats held ideas of conscience which cannot be adopted as a standard.

After further debate, Herr Liebknecht's motion was rejected.

THE PORT OF MOROCCO TO BE CEDED TO GERMANY.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—It is rumored that a treaty will shortly be concluded between the Governments of Germany and Morocco by which the port of Morocco will be ceded to Germany.

RAILROAD AFFAIRS.

PROPOSED RAILROAD FROM BOSTON TO THE WEST.

BOSTON, Nov. 21.—The project of a new and direct railroad from Boston to the West is receiving the general attention of business men here at the present time. The route proposed includes the New-York and New-England road, from this city to Willimantic; the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Road to Hartford, Conn.; the Western and Poughkeepsie and Eastern lines to Poughkeepsie, and, crossing the Hudson, a line of eighteen miles to Pine Bush, yet unbuilt. At this point direct connections will be made with the Pennsylvania and Erie Roads west, and with an entire system of roads to the coal and iron fields, and a line to Washington and the South, some twenty miles shorter than any now existing. It is stated that the Pennsylvania road will bridge the Hudson River if eighteen

THE POLITICAL MURDER.

MOTION TO ADMIT CROKER TO BAIL.

THE ARGUMENT MADE BEFORE JUDGE BARRETT—SPEECHES OF COUNSEL ON BOTH SIDES—THE COURT RESERVES ITS DECISION.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer yesterday Judge Barrett heard argument to admit Richard Croker to bail pending trial. Croker was attended by his counsel, Messrs. Clinton, Wingate, and Bellows, and by numerous political associates, while the court was crowded with small politicians, interested on either one side or the other. The people were represented on the motion by District Attorney Phelps.

Before argument on the main motion counsel for Croker submitted a preliminary motion for the production of the minutes of the Grand Jury, together with a list of the witnesses before them at the time of finding the indictment. He was not aware, he said, what the minutes might disclose; they might be unimportant, and the names of the witnesses might be enough for their purpose. But it was important that they should have that list in order to ascertain certain omissions of testimony before the Grand Jury, the method in which the indictment was found, or any irregularities attending it, to be used in argument upon the main motion.

District Attorney Phelps said it was neither necessary nor proper that the minutes of the Grand Jury should be made public for any purpose. If for any purpose the Court should desire to inspect them of course they would be at his service.

Counsel for Croker said he supposed the minutes would consist of nothing more than the names of the witnesses examined before the Grand Jury.

Judge Barrett—That would seem inconsistent with the statute, which provides that the Grand Jury may appoint a clerk, and keep a record of the evidence before them.

Mr. Phelps—The practice has been as I suggest—whether proper or not, I will not discuss. It seems now impossible to comply with such a request as to ask the Grand Jury what took place before them. How these proceedings can be disclosed by the list of witnesses, I cannot see. The object of the application seems to be to make some comparison between these proceedings and those before the Coroner. I question whether the proceedings before the Coroner can be considered by the court at all. If I am correctly advised, what purports to be the depositions taken before the Coroner were not reduced to writing or subscribed until after the jury was discharged, and the Coroner's jurisdiction over them had ceased.

Counsel for Croker—We say that the testimony before the Grand Jury was wholly insufficient in law, and did not justify the Grand Jury in finding an indictment, and that on such evidence the Court would be compelled to direct a verdict of acquittal; and we want the list of witnesses to make that fact apparent. The Grand Jury have no provision for a stenographer, and find it impossible to take down the evidence, so that our application is virtually for a list of witnesses.

Mr. Clinton—We want the minutes, such as they are. I entirely agree with your Honor that it is the duty of the Grand Jury to keep minutes of evidence.

Judge Barrett—I did not say so, but I should think it would be better. But the statute makes a provision for their not doing so, as Grand Jurors may be summoned on a trial to ascertain if there was a conflict of testimony between a witness' evidence before them and before the court.

Mr. Clinton—Minutes might be kept, though not full or accurate, and yet the Grand Jurors be still examined.

Judge Barrett—My present impression is that the prisoner is entitled to a copy of the minutes. The court may, of course, of its own motion, inspect the records of the Grand Jury, and in the exercise of its discretion, on proper cause shown, furnish a copy to the prisoner. But whether it is a matter of absolute right in all cases, on demand, to have a copy of these minutes, I would prefer to look into before deciding. But I concede you have a right to a copy on good cause shown. If counsel for the prisoner would prefer to adjourn the argument until Monday, I will then decide this question, but if they prefer to go on now I shall hear them, and if I deem it necessary to inspect the minutes of the Grand Jury before rendering a decision I shall do so.

Counsel concluded to go on with their motion, and Mr. Henry L. Clinton then proceeded to argue in favor of the motion to admit to bail. He submitted, as preliminary to his argument, what purported to be a copy of the proceedings had before the Coroner. To this copy, admitted to have been written out by the stenographer, signed by the witnesses, and certified by the Coroner within two days, Mr. Phelps objected, claiming that it was not taken as contemplated by statute, was not in force until after the discharge of the jury and the finding of the inquisition, was not properly before the court for any purpose, and should not be considered by it in deciding this motion.

Mr. Clinton replied to this that the papers bearing the Coroner's certificate proved themselves; that they had attached, in addition to each certificate, an affidavit of the stenographer that the proceedings were the same had before the Coroner, and the testimony of each witness was the same sworn to by him on the inquest. Moreover, the testimony had been taken in that way by the consent of the District Attorney or his assistant, and no objection to it should now come from that quarter.

Mr. Phelps denied that he or any of his assistants had consented to the mode of proceedings as to taking the testimony before the Coroner, and sent for Assistant District Attorney Genet, to verify the truth of such denial. Upon his arrival in court Mr. Russell, who had attended the investigation before the Coroner, sustained Mr. Phelps in his assertion, saying that all the assent he had given in the matter was that the testimony be taken down by a stenographer, but with the understanding that it should be fully written out, signed, and sworn to in proper form, before the rendering of an inquisition by the jury.

Judge Barrett said he would cut short the discussion on the question of the admissibility of this testimony. Even admitting irregularity in the proceedings before the Coroner, what purports to have been such proceedings is now produced, supported by the affidavit of the stenographer that they are correctly reported, and counsel for the prisoner has a right to use them on this motion to admit to bail.

Mr. Clinton, proceeding with his argument, said: Motions to admit to bail before trial in murder cases, were exceptional in their character, were within the discretion of the court to grant or deny them, but abundantly sustained by decisions warranting the right to admit to bail where the facts will warrant. A popular idea existed that murder is not a bailable offense, but it is abundantly sustained by precedent that where a reasonable doubt arising out of the facts, whether the offense was committed, or an offence of a lesser degree, the court is bound in the exercise of a reasonable discretion to admit to bail.

Mr. Phelps said he would shorten the argument on this branch of the case by admitting that murder was a bailable offense on proper cause shown. On the grounds of humanity he thought it proper to make the admission and relieve all parties concerned from the discussion of a proposition which nobody ever disputed.

Accepting the admission of the District Attorney on the proposition of law, Mr. Clinton continued his argument on the facts of the case upon which he relied for the admission of his client to bail. Croker, he said, had no weapons except what the Almighty had given him.

Mr. Phelps—It is the first time I have heard a pistol classed among the weapons bestowed by the Almighty.

Judge Barrett—In order to sustain a motion of this character, the evidence must be overwhelming that the party cannot be convicted, or must be convicted of a lesser crime.

In the case of Van Horn, Mr. Clinton continued, three different grand juries had found indictments, two for manslaughter, which had been quashed for informalities, and the third for murder. This difference of opinion between different grand juries was conceded as appealing to the sound discretion of the court on a motion to admit to bail. If all the circumstances show that there is a reasonable likelihood that the party shall be forthcoming for trial, he ought to be admitted to bail, for punishment should come after trial, not before. The leading features in the evidence showed that out of fifty-seven witnesses examined before the Coroner, but six testified to seeing Croker shoot, and two of these were the brothers of James O'Brien. In opposition to this testimony there were twenty-nine witnesses who were calm spectators of the affray, and who testify that Croker did not use a pistol. The bulk of the testimony showed Croker to have been engaged with O'Brien until after the fatal shot, and even if he had fired it would have been impossible to hit McKenna as he was behind him.

Judge Barrett inquired if these facts were not suitable for the consideration of a jury rather than for a judge on a motion of this character. If a jury convicted on such facts, would the court set aside the verdict?

Mr. Clinton thought that in a civil case the verdict would be set aside immediately. Besides, to far from seeking to avoid trial, his client was most anxious for a speedy one. He was ready to go to trial next week.

Judge Barrett thought the certainty of a speedy trial one strong reason against admitting to bail in a case of this character rather than in favor of it.

Mr. Clinton continued to argue at some length on the testimony in the case, endeavoring that Croker should not be convicted of any higher crime than that of manslaughter in the second degree, and that the motion to admit to bail should be granted.

District Attorney Phelps was then heard briefly in opposition to the motion. He would not, he said, enter into the discussion of the facts, but would submit a few remarks upon the law. The question was not whether the evidence was sufficient to convict the prisoner of murder in the first degree, but whether it was sufficient to convict him of any crime. The Grand Jury had found an indictment for murder, and the Coroner's jury had found that the prisoner was guilty of murder in the first degree. The question was not whether the prisoner was guilty of murder in the first degree, but whether he was guilty

CURRENT LITERATURE.

THE LOVE THAT IS "GOLDEN."

No! Not with turbulence,
Not with the fret and worry of doubt;
Not with uncertainty compassed about;
With wooing and courting to-day,
And thwarting and crossing to-morrow;
Not with light laughter and play,
Or too much trouble and sorrow;
Or vexed tears, scorching the longing eyes;
Or pitiful glances, or penitent sighs,—
Would I have love.
No! Calm and earnest, good and true,
Mellowed by tenderness through and through;
Ever the same, yet ever new;
Quietly watchful; brooding above,
O'er me, and round me—such the love—
Such the love only I care to have:
Patient and restful, holy, calm;
Life's pulse and breath—
Pouring into all wounds a balm,
Enduring till death.

—*Tinsley's Magazine.*

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THE BRIGADE COMMANDER.

BY COL. J. W. DE FOREST.

The Colonel was the idol of his bragging old regiment and of the bragging brigade which for the last six months he had commanded.

He was the idol, not because he was good and gracious, not because he spared his soldiers or treated them as fellow-citizens, but because he had led them to victory and made them famous. If a man will win battles and give his brigade a right to brag loudly of its doings, he may have its admiration and even its enthusiastic devotion, though he be as pitiless and as wicked as Lucifer.

"It's nothin' to me what the Curnnell is in privit, so long as he shows us how to whack the rebs," said Major Gahogan, commandant of the "Old Tenth." "Moses saw God in the burnin' bussh, an' bowed down to it, an' worshipt it. It wasn't the bussh he worshipt; it was his God that was in it. An' I worrship this villin of a Curnnell (*if* he is a villin) because he's almighty and gives *us* the vict'ry. He's nothin' but a human burnnin' bussh, perhaps, but he's got the god of war in um. Adjetant Wallis, it's a ——long time between dhrinks, as I think ye was sayin', an' with rayson. See if ye can't confiscate a canteen of whiskee somewhere in the camp. Bedad, if I can't buy it I'll stale it. We're goin' to fight to-morry, an' it may be it's the last chance we'll have for a dhrink, unless there's more lik'r now in the other worrld than Dives got."

The brigade was bivouacked in some invisible region, amid the damp, misty darkness of a September night. The men lay in their ranks, each with his feet to the front and his head rearward, each covered by his overcoat and pillowed upon his haversack, each with his loaded rifle nestled close beside him. Asleep as they were, or dropping placidly into slumber, they were ready to start in order to their feet and pour out the red light and harsh roar of combat. There were two lines of battle, each of three regiments of infantry, the first some two hundred yards in advance of the second. In the space between them lay two four-gun batteries, one of them brass twelve-pounder "Napoleons," and the other rifled Parrotts. To the rear of the infantry were the recumbent troopers and picketed horses of a regiment of cavalry. All around, in the far black distance, invisible and inaudible, paced or watched stealthily the sentinels of the grand guards.

There was not a fire, nor a torch, nor a star-beam in the whole bivouac to guide the feet of Adjutant Wallis in his pilgrimage after whisky. The orders from brigade head-quarters had been strict against illuminations, for the Confederates were near at hand in force, and a surprise was purposed, as well as feared. A tired and sleepy youngster, almost dropping with the heavy somnolence of wearied adolescence, he stumbled on through the trials of an undiscernible and unfamiliar footing, lifting his heavy riding boots sluggishly over imaginary obstacles, and fearing the while lest his toil were labor misspent. It was a dry camp, he felt dolefully certain, or there would have been more noise in it. He fell over a sleeping Sergeant, and said to him hastily, "Steady, man—a friend!" as the half-aroused soldier clutched his rifle. Then he found a Lieutenant, and shook him in vain; further on a Captain, and exchanged saddening murmurs with him; further still a camp follower of African extraction, and blasphemed him.

"It's a God-forsaken camp, and there isn't a dhrop in it," said Adjutant Wallis to himself as he pursued his groping journey. "Bet you I don't find the first drop," he continued, for he was a betting boy, and frequently argued by wagers, even with himself. "Bet you two to one I don't. Bet you three to one—ten to one."

Then he saw, an indefinite distance beyond him, burning like red-hot iron through the darkness, a little scarlet or crimson gleam, as of a lighted cigar.

"That's Old Grumps, of the Bloody Fourteenth," he thought. "I've raided into his happy sleeping grounds. I'll draw on him."

But Old Grumps, otherwise Colonel Lafayette Gildersleeve, had no rations—that is, no whisky.

"How do you suppose an officer is to have a drink, Lieutenant?" he grumbled. "Don't you know that our would-be Brigadier sent all the commissary to the rear day before yesterday? A canteenful can't last two days. Mine went empty about five minutes ago."

"Oh, thunder!" groaned Wallis, saddened by that saddest of all thoughts, "Too late!" "Well, least said soonest mended. I must wobble back to my Major."

"He'll send you off to some other camp as fry as this one. Wait ten minutes, and he'll be asleep. Lie down on my blanket and light your pipe. I want to talk to you about official business—about our would-be Brigadier."

"Oh, *your* turn will come some day," mumbled Wallis, remembering Gildersleeve's jealousy of the brigade commander—a jealousy which only gave tongue when aroused by "commissary." "If you do as well as usual to-morrow you can have your own brigade."

"I suppose you think we are all going to do well to-morrow," scoffed old Grumps, whose utterance by this time stumbled. "I suppose you expect to whip and to have a good time. I suppose you brag on fighting and enjoy it."

"I like it well enough when it goes right; and it generally does go right with this brigade. I should like it better if the rebs would fire higher and break quicker."

"That depends on the way those are commanded whose business it is to break them," growled Old Grumps. "I don't say but what we are rightly commanded," he added, remembering his duty to superiors. "I concede and acknowledge that our would-be Brigadier knows his military business. But the blessing of God, Wallis! I believe in Waldron as a soldier. But as a man and a Christian, faugh!"

Gildersleeve had clearly emptied his canteen unassisted; he never talked about Christianity when perfectly sober.

"What was your last remark?" inquired Wallis, taking his pipe from his mouth to grin. Even a superior officer might be chaffed a little in the darkness.

"I made no last remark," asserted the Colonel with dignity. "If I said anything last it was a mere exclamation of disgust—the disgust of an officer and gentleman. I suppose you know something about our would-be Brigadier. I suppose you think you know something about him."

"Bet you I know *all* about him," affirmed Wallis. "He enlisted in the old Tenth as a common soldier. Before he had been a week in camp they found that he knew his biz, and they made him a Sergeant. Before we started for the field the Governor got his eye on him and shoved him into a Lieutenantcy. The first battle h'isted him to a Captain. And the second—bang! whiz! he shot up to Colonel, right over the heads of everybody, line and field. Nobody in the old Tenth grumbled. They saw that he knew his biz. I know *all* about him. What'll you bet?"

"I'm not a betting man, Lieutenant, except in a friendly game of poker," sighed Old Grumps. "You don't know anything about your Brigadier," he added in a sepulchral murmur, the echo of an empty canteen. "I have only been in this brigade a month, and I know more than you do, far, very far more, sorry to say it. He's a reformed clergyman. He's an apostatized minister." The Colonel's voice as he said this was solemn and sad enough to do credit to an undertaker. "It's a bad sort, Wallis," he continued, after another deep sigh, a very highly perfumed one, the sigh of a bar-keeper. "When a clergyman falls, he falls for life and eternity, like a woman or an angel. I never knew a backslidden shepherd to come to good. Sooner or later he always goes to the devil, and takes down whomsoever hangs to him."

"He'll take down the old Tenth, then," asserted Wallis. "It hangs to him. Bet you two to one he takes it along."

"You're right, Adjutant; spoken like a soldier," swore Gildersleeve. "And the Bloody Fourteenth, too! It will march into the burning pit as far as any regiment; and the whole brigade, yes sir! But a backslidden shepherd, my God! Have we come to that? I often say to myself, in the solemn hours of the night, as I remember my Sabbath-school days, 'Great Scott, have we come to that?' A reformed clergyman! An apostatized minister! Think of it, Wallis, think of it! Why, sir, his very wife ran away from him. They had but just buried their first boy," pursued Old Grumps, his hoarse voice sinking to a whimper. "They drove home from the burial-place, where lay the new-made grave. Arrived at their door, *he* got out and extended his hand to help *her* out. Instead of accepting, instead of throwing herself into his arms and weeping there, she turned to the coachman and said, 'Driver, drive me to my father's house.' That was the end of their wedded life, Wallis."

The Colonel actually wept at this point, and the maudlin tears were not altogether insincere. His own wife and children he heartily loved, and remembered them now with honest tenderness. At home he was not a drinker and a rough; only amid the hardships and perils of the field.

"That was the end of it, Wallis," he repeated. "And what was it while it lasted? What does a woman leave her husband for? Why does she separate from him over the grave of her innocent first-born? There are twenty reasons, but they must all of them be good ones. I am sorry to give it as my decided opinion, Wallis, in perfect confidence, that they must all be whopping good ones. Well, that was the beginning; only the beginning. After that he held on for a while, breaking the bread of life to a skedaddling flock, and then he bolted. The next known of him, three years later, he enlisted in your regiment, a smart but seedy recruit, smelling strongly of whisky."

"I wish I smelt half as strong of it myself," grumbled Wallis. "It might keep out the fever n' ager."

"That's the true story of Col. John James Waldron," continued Old Grumps, with a groan which was very somnolent, as if it were Siamese twin to a snore. "That's the true story."

"I don't believe the first word of it—that is to say, Colonel, I think you have been misinformed—and I'll bet you two to one on it. If he was nothing more than a minister, how did he know drill and tactics?"

"Oh, I forgot to say, he went through West Point—that is, nearly through. They graduated him in his third year by the back door, Wallis."

"Oh, that was it, was it? He was a West Pointer, was he? Well, then, the backsliding was natural, and oughtn't to count against him. A member of Benny Havens' church has a right to backslide anywhere, especially as the Colonel doesn't seem to be any worse than some of the rest of us, who haven't fallen from grace the least particle, but took our stand at the start just where we are now. A fellow that begins with a handful of trumps has a right to play a risky game."

"I know what took him, Wallis. It was the old Little John; and there's another of the same on hand now."

"On hand where? What are you driving at, Colonel?"

"He looks like a boy. I mean she looks like a boy. You know what I mean, Wallis; I mean the boy that makes believe wait on him. And her brother is in camp, got here to-night. There'll be an explanation to-morrow, and there'll be bloodshed."

"Good-night, Colonel, and sleep it off," said Wallis, rising from the side of a man whom he believed to be sillily drunk and altogether untrustworthy. "You know we get after the rebs at dawn."

"I know it—goo-night, Adjutant,—gawblessyou, "mumbled Old Grumps. "We'll lick those rebs, won't we?" he chuckled. "Goo-night, ole fellow, an' gawblessyou."

Whereupon Old Grumps fell asleep, very absurdly overcome by liquor, we extremely regret to concede, but nobly sure to do his soldierly duty as soon as he should awake.

Stumbling wearily blanketward, Wallis found his Major and regimental commander, the genial and gallant Gahogan, slumbering in a peace like that of the just. He stretched himself a-near, put out his hand to touch his sabre and revolver, drew his caped great-coat over him, moved once to free his back of a root or pebble, glanced languidly at a single struggling star, thought for an instant of his far-away mother, turned his head with a sigh, and slept. In the morning he was to fight, and perhaps to die; but the boyish veteran was too seasoned, and also too tired, to mind that; he could mind but one thing—nature's pleading for rest.

In the iron-gray dawn, while the troops were falling dimly and spectrally into line, and he was mounting his horse to be ready for orders, he remembered Gildersleeve's drunken tale concerning the commandant, and laughed aloud. But turning his face toward brigade head-quarters, (a sylvan region marked out by the branches of a great oak,) he was surprised to see a strange officer, a fair young man in Captain's uniform, riding slowly toward it.

"Is that the Boy's brother?" he said to himself; and in the next instant he had forgotten the whole subject; it was time to form and present the regiment.

Quietly and without tap of drum the small, old, battleworn battalions filed out of their bivouacs into the highway, ordered arms and waited for the word to march. With a dull rumble the field-pieces trundled slowly after, and halted in rear of the infantry. The cavalry trotted off circuitously through the fields, emerged upon the road in advance and likewise halted, all but a single company which pushed on for half a mile, spreading out as it went into a thin line of skirmishers.

Meanwhile a strange interview took place near the great oak which had sheltered brigade head-quarters. As the unknown officer, whom Wallis had noted, approached it, Col. Waldron was standing by his horse ready to mount. The commandant was a man of medium size, fairly handsome in person and features, and apparently about twenty-eight years of age. Perhaps it was the singular breadth of his forehead which made the lower part of his face look so unusually slight and feminine. His eyes were dark hazel, as clear, brilliant, and tender as a girl's, and brimming full of pensiveness, which seemed both loving and melancholy. Few persons, at all events few women, who looked upon him ever looked beyond his eyes. They were very fascinating, and in a man's countenance very strange. They were the kind of eyes which reveal passionate romances, and which make them.

By his side stood a boy, a singularly interesting and beautiful boy, fair-haired and blue-eyed, and delicate in color. When this boy saw the stranger approach he turned as pale as marble, slid away from the brigade commander's side, and disappeared behind a group of staff officers and orderlies. The new-comer also became deathly white as he glanced after the retreating youth. Then he dismounted, touched his cap slightly and, as if mechanically, advanced a few steps and said hoarsely, "I believe this is Colonel Waldron. I am Captain Fitz Hugh, of the —th Delaware."

Waldron put his hand to his revolver, withdrew it instantaneously, and stood motionless.

"I am on leave of absence from my regiment, Colonel," continued Fitz Hugh, speaking now with an elaborate ceremoniousness of utterance significant of a struggle to suppress violent emotion. "I suppose you can understand why I made use of it in seeking you."

Waldron hesitated; he stood gazing at the earth with the air of one who represses deep pain; at last, after a profound sigh, he raised his eyes and answered.

"Captain, we are on the eve of a battle. I must attend to my public duties first. After the battle we will settle our private affair."

"There is but one way to settle it, Colonel."

"You shall have your way if you will. You shall do what you will. I only ask what good will it do to *her*?"

"It will do good to *me*, Colonel," whispered Fitz Hugh, suddenly turning crimson. You forget *me*."

Waldron's face also flushed, and an angry sparkle shot from under his lashes in reply to this utterance of hate, but it died out in an instant.

"I have done a wrong, and I will accept the consequences," he said. "I pledge you my word that I will be at your disposal if I survive the battle. Where do you propose to remain meanwhile?"

"I will take the same chance, Sir. I propose to do my share in the fighting if you will use me."

"I am short of staff officers. Will you act as my aid?"

"I will, Colonel," bowed Fitz Hugh, with a glance which expressed surprise, and perhaps admiration, at this confidence.

Waldron turned, beckoned his staff officers to approach, and said, "Gentlemen, this is Captain Fitz Hugh of the ——th Delaware. He has volunteered to join us for the day, and will act as my aid. And now, Captain, will you ride to the head of the column and order it forward? There will be no drum beat and no noise. When you have given your order and seen it executed, you will wait for me."

Fitz Hugh saluted, sprang into his saddle and galloped away. A few minutes later the whole column was plodding on silently toward its bloody goal. To a civilian, unaccustomed to scenes of war, the tranquillity of these men would have seemed very wonderful. Many of the soldiers were still munching the hard bread and raw pork of their meagre breakfasts, or drinking the cold coffee with which they had filled their canteens the day previous. Many more were chatting in an undertone, grumbling over their sore feet and other discomforts, chaffing each other, and laughing. The general bearing, however, was grave, patient, quietly enduring, and one might almost say stolid. You would have said, to judge by their expressions, that these sunburnt fellows were merely doing hard work, and thoroughly commonplace work, without a prospect of adventure, and much less of danger. The explanation of this calmness, so brutal perhaps to the eye of a sensitive soul, lies mainly in the fact that they were all veterans, the survivors of marches, privations, maladies, sieges, and battles. Not a regiment present numbered four hundred men, and the average was not above three hundred. The whole force, including artillery and cavalry, might have been about twenty-four hundred sabres and bayonets.

At the beginning of the march Waldron fell into the rear of his staff and mounted orderlies. Then the Boy who had fled from Fitz Hugh dropped out of the trampling escort, and rode up to his side.

"Well, Charlie," said Waldron, casting a pitying glance at the yet pallid face and anxious eyes of the youth, "you have had a sad fright. I make you very miserable."

"He has found us at last," murmured Charlie in a tremulous soprano voice. "What did he say?"

"We are to talk to-morrow. He acts as my Aid de camp to-day. I ought to tell you frankly that he is not friendly."

"Of course, I knew it," sighed Charlie, while the tears fell.

"It is only one more trouble—one more danger, and perhaps it may pass. So many *have* passed.

"Did you tell him anything to quiet him? Did you tell him that we were married?"

"But we are not married yet, Charlie. We shall be, I hope."

"But you ought to have told him that we were. It might stop him from doing something—mad. Why didn't you tell him so? Why didn't you think of it? Oh, my hero, must I think for you?"

"My dear little child, we are about to have a battle. I should like to carry some honor and truth into it."

"Where is he?" continued Charlie, unconvinced and unappeased. "I want to see him. Is he at the head of the column? I want to speak to him, just one word. He won't hurt me."

She suddenly spurred her horse, wheeled into the fields, and dashed onward. Fitz Hugh was lounging in his saddle, and sombrely surveying the passing column, when she galloped up to him.

"Carrol!" she said, in a choked voice, reining in by his side, and leaning forward to touch his sleeve.

He threw one glance at her; a glance of aversion, if not of downright hatred, and turned his back in silence.

"He is my husband, Carrol," she went on rapidly. "I knew you didn't understand it, I ought to have written you about it. I thought I would come and tell you before you did anything absurd. We were married as soon as he heard that his wife was dead."

"What is the use of this?" he muttered hoarsely. "She is not dead. I heard from her a week ago. She was living a week ago."

"Oh, Carrol!" stammered Charlie. "It was some mistake then. Is it possible! And he was so sure! But he can get a divorce, you know. She abandoned him. Or *she* can get one. No, *he* can get it—of course, when she abandoned him. But, Carrol, she *must* be dead—he was *so* sure."

"She is *not* dead, I tell you. And there can be no divorce. Insanity bars all claim to a divorce. She is in an asylum. She had to leave him, and then she went mad."

"Oh, no, Carrol, it is all a mistake: it is not so, Carrol," she murmured in a voice so faint that he could not help glancing at her, half in fury and half in pity. She was slowly falling from her horse. He sprang from his saddle, caught her in his arms, and laid her on the turf, wishing the while that it covered her grave. Just then one of Waldron's orderlies rode up and exclaimed: "What is the matter with the —the Boy? Hullo, Charlie."

Fitz Hugh stared at the man in silence, tempted to tear him from his horse. "The boy is ill," he answered when he recovered his self-command. "Take charge of him yourself." He remounted, rode onward out of sight beyond a thicket, and there waited for the brigade commander, now and then fingering his revolver. As Charlie was being placed in an ambulance by the orderly and a sergeant's wife, Waldron came up, reined in his horse violently, and asked in a furious voice, "Is that boy hurt?"

"Ah—fainted," he added immediately. "Thank you, Mrs. Gunner. Take good care of him—the best of care, my dear woman, and don't let him leave you all day."

Further on, when Fitz Hugh silently fell into his escort, he merely glanced at him in a furtive way, and then cantered on rapidly to the head of the cavalry. There he beckoned to the tall, grave, iron-gray Chaplain of the Tenth, and rode with him for nearly an hour, apart, engaged in low and seemingly impassioned talk. From this interview Mr. Colquhoun returned to the escort with a strangely solemnized, tender countenance, while the commandant, with a more cheerful air than he had yet worn that day, gave himself to his martial duties, inspecting the landscape incessantly with his glass, and sending frequently for news to the advance scouts. It may properly be stated here that the Chaplain never divulged to any one the nature of the conversation which he had held with his Colonel.

Nothing further of note occurred until the little army, after two hours of plodding march, wound through a sinuous, wooded ravine, entered a broad, bare, slightly undulating valley, and for the second time halted. Waldron galloped to the summit of a knoll, pointed to a long eminence which faced him some two miles distant, and said tranquilly, "There is our battle-ground."

"Is that the enemy's position?" returned Captain Ives, his Adjutant General. "We shall have a tough job if we go at it from here."

Waldron remained in deep thought for some minutes, meanwhile scanning the ridge and all its surroundings.

"What I want to know," he observed, at last, "is whether they have occupied the wooded knolls in front of their right and around their right flank."

Shortly afterward the commander of the scouting squadron came riding back at a furious pace.

"They are on the hill, Colonel," he shouted.

"Yes, of course," nodded Waldron; "but have they occupied the woods which veil their right front and flank?"

"Not a bit of it; my fellows have cantered all through, and up to the base of the hill."

"Ah!" exclaimed the brigade commander, with a flush of elation. "Then it will be easy work. Go back, Captain, and scatter your men through the wood, and hold it, if possible. Adjutant, call up the regimental commanders at once. I want them to understand my plan fully."

In a few minutes Gahogan, of the Tenth; Gildersleeve, of the Fourteenth; Peck, of the First; Thomas, of the Seventh; Taylor, of the Eighth, and Colburn, of the Fifth, were gathered around their commander. There, too, was Bradley, the boyish, red-cheeked chief of the artillery; and Stilton, the rough, old, bearded regular, who headed the cavalry. The staff was at hand, also, including Fitz Hugh, who sat his horse a little apart, downcast and sombre and silent, but nevertheless keenly interested. It is worthy of remark, by the way, that Waldron took no special note of him, and did not seem conscious of any disturbing presence. Evil as the man may have been, he was a thoroughly good soldier, and just now he thought but of his duties.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I want you to see your field of battle. The enemy occupy that long ridge. How shall we reach it?"

"I think, if we go at it straight from here, we shan't miss it," promptly judged Old Grumps, his red-oak countenance admirably cheerful and hopeful, and his jealousy all dissolved in the interest of approaching combat.

"Nor they won't miss us nuther," laughed Major Gahogan. "Betther slide our infantree into thim wuds, push up our skirmishers, play away wid our guns for an hour, an' thin rowl in a couple o' col'ms."

There was a general murmur of approval. The limits of volunteer invention in tactics had been reached by Gahogan. The other regimental commanders looked upon him as their superior in the art of war.

"It would be well, Major, if we could do nothing better," said Waldron. "But I do not feel obliged to attack the front seriously at all. The rebels have been thoughtless enough to leave that long semicircle of wooded knolls unoccupied, even by scouts. It stretches from the front of their centre clear around their right flank. I shall use it as a veil to cover us while we get into position. I shall throw out a regiment, a battery, and five companies of cavalry, to make a feint against their centre and left. With the remainder of the brigade I shall skirt the woods, double around the right of the position, and close in upon it front and rear."

"Loike scissor blades upon a snip o' paper," shouted Gahogan, in delight. Then he turned to Fitz Hugh, who happened to be nearest him, and added, "I tell ye he's got the God o' War in um. He's the burnin' bussh of humanity, wid a God o' Battles inside on't."

"But how if they come down on our thin right wing?" asked a cautious officer, Taylor, of the Eighth. They might smash it and seize our line of retreat."

"Men who have taken up a strong position, a position obviously chosen for defense, rarely quit it promptly for an attack," replied Waldron. "There is not one chance in ten that these gentlemen will make a considerable forward movement early in the fight. Only the greatest geniuses jump from the defensive to the offensive. There are nine chances in our favor. Besides, we must hold the wood. So long as we hold the wood in front of their centre we save the road."

Then came personal and detailed instructions. Each regimental commander was told whither he should march, the point where he should halt to form line, and the direction by which he should attack. The mass of the command was to advance in massed, marching column toward a knoll where the highway entered and traversed the wood. Some time before reaching it Taylor was to deploy the Eighth to the right, throw out a strong skirmish line and open fire on the enemy's centre and left, supported by the battery of Parrotts, and, if pushed, by five companies of cavalry. The remaining troops would reach the knoll, file to the left under cover of the forest, skirt it for a mile as rapidly as possible, enfold the right of the Confederate position, and then move upon it concentrically. Counting from the left, the Tenth, the Seventh, and the Fourteenth were to constitute the first line of battle, while five companies of cavalry, then the First, and then the Fifth formed the second line. Not until Gahogan might have time to wind into the enemy's right rear should Gildersleeve move out of the wood and commence the real attack.

"You will go straight at the front of their right," said Waldron, with a gay smile, to this latter Colonel. "Send up two companies as skirmishers. The moment they are clearly checked, lead up the other eight in line. It will be rough work. But keep pushing. You won't have fifteen minutes of it before Thomas, on your left, will be climbing the end of the ridge to take the rebels in flank. In fifteen minutes more Gahogan will be running in on their backs. Of course they will try to change front and meet us. But they have extended their line a long way in order to cover the whole ridge. They will not be quick enough. We shall get hold of their right, and we shall roll them up. Then, Colonel Stilton, I shall expect to see the troopers jumping into the gaps and making prisoners."

"All right, Colonel," answered Stilton in that hoarse growl which is apt to mark the old cavalry officer. "Where shall we find you if we want a fresh order?"

"I shall be with Colburn, in rear of Gildersleeve. That is our centre. But never mind me; you know what the battle is to be, and you know how to fight it. The whole point with the infantry is to fold around the enemy's right, go in upon it concentrically, smash it, and roll up their line. The cavalry will watch against the infantry being flanked, and when the latter have seized the hill, will charge for prisoners. The artillery will reply to the enemy's guns with shell, and fire grape at any offensive demonstration. You all know your duties, now, gentlemen. Go to your commands, and march!"

The Colonels saluted and started off at a gallop. In a few minutes five hundred men were in simultaneous movement. Five companies of cavalry wheeled into column of companies, and advanced at a trot through the fields, seeking to gain the shelter of the forest. The six infantry regiments slid up along side of each other, and pushed on in six parallel columns of march, two on the right of the road and four on the left. The artillery, which alone left the highway, followed at a distance of two or three hundred yards. The remaining cavalry made a wide detour to the right, as if to flank the enemy's left.

It was a mile and a quarter—it was a march of fully twenty minutes—to the edge of the woodland, the proposed cover of the column. Ten minutes before this point was reached a tiny puff of smoke showed on the brow of the hostile ridge; then, at an interval of several seconds, followed the sound of a distant explosion; then, almost immediately, came the screech of a rifled shell. Every man who heard it swiftly asked himself, "Will it strike *me*?" But even as the words were thought out it had passed, high in air, clean to the rear, and burst harmlessly. A few faces turned upward and a few eyes glanced backward, as if to see the invisible enemy. But there was no pause in the column; it flowed onward quietly, eagerly, and with business-like precision; it gave forth no sound but the trampling of feet and the muttering of the officers, "Steady, men! Forward, men."

The Confederates, however, had got their range. A half minute later four puffs of smoke dotted the ridge, and a flight of hoarse humming shrieks tore the air. A little aureole cracked and splintered over the First, followed by loud cries of anguish and a brief, slight confusion. The voice of an officer rose sharply out of the flurry, "Close up, Company A! Forward, men!" The battalion column resumed its even formation in an instant, and tramped unitedly onward, leaving behind it two quivering corpses and a wounded man who tottered rearward.

Then came more screeches, and a shell exploded over the high road, knocking a gunner lifeless from his carriage. The brigade commander glanced anxiously along his batteries, and addressed a few words to his chief of artillery. Presently the four Napoleons set forward at a gallop for the wood, while the four Parrotts wheeled to the right, deployed, and advanced across the fields, inclining toward the left of the enemy. Next, Taylor's regiment (the Eighth) halted, fronted, faced to the right, and filed off in column of march at a double-quick until it had gained the rear of the Parrotts, when it fronted again and pushed on in support. A quarter of a mile further on these guns went into battery behind the brow of a little knoll, and opened fire. Four companies of the Eighth spread out to the right as skirmishers, and commenced stealing toward the ridge, from time to time measuring the distance with rifle balls. The remainder of the regiment lay down in line between the Parrotts and the forest. Far away to the right, five companies of cavalry showed themselves, manœuvering as if they proposed to turn the left flank of the Southerners. The attack on this side was in form and in operation.

Meantime the Confederate fire had divided. Two guns pounded away at Taylor's feint, while two shelled the main column. The latter was struck repeatedly; more than twenty men dropped silent or groaning out of the hurrying files; but the survivors pushed on without faltering, and without even caring for the wounded. At last a broad belt of green branches rose between the regiments and the ridge; and the rebel gunners, unable to see their foe, dropped suddenly into silence.

Here it appeared that the road divided. The highway traversed the forest, mounted the slope beyond and bisected the enemy's position, while a branch road turned to the left and skirted the exterior of the long curve of wooded hillocks. At the fork the battery of Napoleons had halted, and there it was ordered to remain for the present in quiet. There, too, the Fourteenth filed in among the dense greenery, threw out two companies of skirmishers toward the ridge, and pushed slowly after them into the shadows.

"Get sight of the enemy at once!" was Waldron's last word to Gildersleeve. "If they move down the slope, drive them back. But don't commence your attack under half an hour."

Next he filed the Fifth into the thickets, saying to Colburn, "I want you to halt a hundred yards to the left and rear of Gildersleeve. Cover his flank if he is attacked; but otherwise lie quiet. As soon as he charges, move forward to the edge of the wood, and be ready to support him. But make no assault yourself until further orders."

The two next regiments—the Seventh and First—he placed in *echelon*, in like manner, a quarter of a mile further along. Then he galloped forward to the cavalry, and had a last word with Stilton. "You and Gahogan must take care of yourselves. Push on four or five hundred yards, and then face to the right. Whatever Gahogan finds let him go at it. If he can't shake it, help him. You two *must* reach the top of the ridge. Only, look out for your left flank. Keep a squadron or two in reserve on that side."

"Curnel, if we don't raich the top of the hill, it'll be because it hasn't got wan," answered Gahogan. Stilton only laughed and rode forward.

Waldron now returned toward the fork of the road. On the way he sent a staff officer to the Seventh with renewed orders to attack as soon as possible after Gildersleeve. Then another staff officer was hurried forward to Taylor with directions to push his feint strongly, and drive his skirmishers as far up the slope as they could get. A third staff officer set the Parrotts in rear of Taylor to firing with all their might. By the time that the commandant had returned to Colburn's ambushed ranks, no one was with him but his enemy, Fitz Hugh.

"You don't seem to trust me with duty, Colonel," said the young man.

"I shall use you only in case of extremity, Captain," replied Waldron. "We have business to settle to-morrow."

"I ask no favors on that account. I hope you will offer me none."

"In case of need I shall spare no one," declared Waldron.

Then he took out his watch, looked at it impatiently, put it to his ear, restored it to his pocket, and fell into an attitude of deep attention. Evidently his whole mind was on his battle, and he was waiting, watching, yearning for its outburst.

"If he wins this fight," thought Fitz Hugh, "how can I do him a harm? And yet," he added, "how can I help it?"

Minutes passed. Fitz Hugh tried to think of his injury, and to steel himself against his chief. But the roar of battle on the right, and the suspense and imminence of battle on the left, absorbed the attention of even this wounded and angry spirit, as, indeed, they might have absorbed that of any being not more or less than human. A private wrong, insupportable though it might be, seemed so small amid that deadly clamor and awful expectation! Moreover, the intellect which worked so calmly and vigorously by his side, and which alone of all things near appeared able to rule the coming crisis, began to dominate him, in spite of his sense of injury. A thought crossed him to the effect that the great among men are too valuable to be punished for their evil deeds. He turned to the absorbed brigade commander, now not only his ruler but even his protector, with a feeling that he must accord him a word of peace, a proffer in some form of possible forgiveness and friendship. But the man's face was clouded and stern with responsibility and authority. He seemed at that moment too lofty to be approached with a message of pardon. Fitz Hugh gazed at him with a mixture of profound respect and smothered hate. He gazed, turned away, and remained silent.

Minutes more passed. Then a mounted orderly dashed up at full speed, with the words, "Colonel, Major Gahogan has fronted."

"Has he?" answered Waldron, with a smile which thanked the trooper and made him happy. "Ride on through the thicket here, my man, and tell Colonel Gildersleeve to push up his skirmishers."

With a thud of hoofs and a rustle of parting foliage the soldier disappeared amid the underwood. A minute or two later a thin, dropping rattle of musketry, five hundred yards or so to the front, announced that the sharpshooters of the Fourteenth were at work. Almost immediately there was an angry response, full of the threatenings and execution of death. Through the lofty leafage tore the screech of a shell, bursting with a sharp crash as it passed overhead, and scattering in humming slivers. Then came another, and another, and many more, chasing each other with hoarse hissings through the trembling air, a succession of flying serpents. The enemy doubtless believed that nearly the whole attacking force was massed in the wood around the road, and they had brought at least four guns to bear upon that point, and were working them with the utmost possible rapidity. Presently a large chestnut, not fifty yards from Fitz Hugh, was struck by a shot. The solid trunk, nearly three feet in diameter, parted asunder as it were the brittlest of vegetable matter. The upper portion started aside with a monstrous groan, dropped in a standing posture to the earth, and then toppled slowly, sublimely prostrate, its branches crashing and all its leaves wailing. Ere long, a little further to the front, another Anak of the forest went down; and, mingled with the noise of its sylvan agony, there arose sharp cries of human suffering. Then Colonel Colburn, a broad-chested and ruddy man of thirty-five, with a look of indignant anxiety in his iron-gray eyes, rode up to the brigade commander.

"This is very annoying, Colonel," he said. "I am losing my men without using them. That last tree fell into my command."

"Are they firing toward our left?" asked Waldron.

"Not a shot."

"Very good," said the chief, with a sigh of contentment. "If we can only keep them occupied in this direction! By the way, let your men lie down under the fallen tree, as far as it will go. It will protect them from others."

Colburn rode back to his regiment. Waldron looked impatiently at his watch. At that moment a fierce burst of line firing arose in front, followed and almost overborne by a long-drawn yell, the scream of charging men. Waldron put up his watch, glanced excitedly at Fitz Hugh, and smiled.

"I must forgive or forget," the latter could not help saying to himself. "All the rest of life is nothing compared with this."

"Captain," said Waldron, "ride off to the left at full speed. As soon as you hear firing at the shoulder of the ridge, return instantly and let me know."

Fitz Hugh dashed away. Three minutes carried him into perfect peace, beyond the whistling of ball or the screeching of shell. On the right was a tranquil, wide waving of foliage, and on the left a serene landscape of cultivated fields, with here and there an embowered farm-house. Only for the clamor of artillery and musketry far behind him, he could not have believed in the remote battalion, that the brigade commander posted himself.

"Do *you* mean to stay here, Colonel?" asked Fitz Hugh, in surprise and anxiety.

"It is a certain victory now," answered Waldron with a singular glance upward. "My life is no longer important. I prefer to do my duty to the utmost in the sight of all men."

"I shall follow you and do mine, Sir," said the Captain, much moved, he could scarcely say by what emotions, they were so many and conflicting.

"I want you otherwheres. Ride to Colonel Taylor at once, and hurry him up the hill. Tell him the enemy have greatly weakened their left. Tell him to push up everything, infantry, and cavalry, and artillery, and to do it in haste."

"Colonel, this is saving my life against my will," remonstrated Fitz Hugh.

"Go!" ordered Waldron, imperiously. "Time is precious."

Fitz Hugh dashed down the slope to the right at a gallop. The brigade commander turned tranquilly, and followed the march of his *echelon*. The second and decisive crisis of the little battle was approaching, and to understand it we must glance at the ground on which it was to be fought. Two hostile lines were marching toward each other along the broad, gently rounded crest of the hill and at right angles to its general course. Between these lines, but much the nearest to the Union troops, a spacious road came up out of the forest in front, crossed the ridge, swept down the smooth decline in rear, and led to a single wooden bridge over a narrow but deep rivulet. On either hand the road was hedged in by a close board fence, four feet or so in height. It was for the possession of this highway that the approaching lines were about to shed their blood. If the Confederates failed to win it, all their artillery would be lost, and their army captured or dispersed.

The two parties came on without firing. The soldiers on both sides were veterans, cool, obedient to orders, intelligent through long service, and able to reserve all their resources for a short-range and final struggle. Moreover, the fences as yet partially hid them from each other, and would have rendered all aim for the present vague and uncertain.

"Forward, Fifth!" shouted Waldron. Steady. Reserve your fire." Then, as the regiment came up to the fence, he added, "Halt; right dress. Steady, men."

Meantime he watched the advancing array with an eager gaze. It was a noble sight, full of moral sublimity, and worthy of all admiration. The long, lean, sunburned, weather-beaten soldiers in ragged gray stepped forward, superbly, their ranks loose, but swift and firm, the men leaning forward in their haste, their tattered slouch hats pushed backward, their whole aspect business-like and virile. Their line was three battalions strong, far outflanking the Fifth, and at least equal to the entire *echelon*. When within thirty or forty yards of the further fence they increased their pace to nearly a double-quick, many of them stooping low in hunter fashion, and a few firing. Then Waldron rose in his stirrups and yelled, "Battalion! ready—aim—aim low. Fire!"

There was a stunning roar of three hundred and fifty rifles, and a deadly screech of bullets. But the smoke rolled out, the haste to reload was intense, and none could mark what execution was done. Whatever the Confederates may have suffered, they bore up under the volley, and they came on. In another minute each of those fences, not more probably than twenty-five yards apart, was lined by the shattered fragment of a regiment, each firing as fast as possible into the face of the other. The Fifth bled fearfully: it had five of its ten company commanders shot dead in three minutes; and its loss in other officers and in men fell scarcely short of this terrible ratio. On its left the Seventh and the Tenth were up, pouring in musketry, and receiving it in a fashion hardly less sanguinary. No one present had ever seen, or ever afterward saw, such another close and deadly contest.

But the strangest thing in this whole wonderful fight was the conduct of the brigade commander. Up and down the rear of the lacerated Fifth Waldron rode thrice, spurring his plunging and wounded horse close to the yelling and fighting file-closers, and shouting in a piercing voice encouragement to his men. A stranger still, considering the character which he had borne in the army, and considering the evil deed for which he was to account on the morrow, were the words which he was distinctly and repeatedly heard to utter. "Stand steady, men—God is with us!" was the extraordinary battle-cry of this backslidden clergyman, this sinner above many.

And it was a prophecy of victory. Bradley ran up his Napoleons on the right in the nick of time, and, although only one of them could be brought to bear, it was enough; the grape raked the Confederate left, broke it, and the battle was over. In five minutes

men in the right place, and his men knowed when they was in the right place. But it's goin' to be up hill through the steepest part of hell the rest of the way."

Soldiers, some of them weeping, some of them bleeding, arrived constantly to inquire after their commander, only to be sent quietly back to their ranks or to the rear. All around lay other men—dead men, and senseless, groaning men—all for the present unnoticed. Everything, except the distant pursuit of the cavalry, waited for Waldron to die. Fitz Hugh looked on silently, with the tears of mingled emotions in his eyes, and with hopes and hatreds expiring in his heart. The surgeon supported the expiring victor's head, while Chaplain Colquhoun knelt beside him, holding his hand and praying audibly. Of a sudden the petition ceased, both bent hastily toward the wounded man, and after what seemed a long time exchanged whispers. Then the Chaplain rose, came slowly toward the now advancing group of officers, his hands outspread toward heaven in an attitude of benediction, and tears running down his haggard white face.

"I trust, dear friends," he said, in a tremulous voice, "that all is well with our brother and commander. His last words were, 'God is with us.'"

"Oh! but, man, *that* isn't well," broke out Gahogan, in a groan. "What did ye pray for for his soul for? Why didn't ye pray for his life?"

Fitz Hugh turned his horse and rode silently away. The next day he was seen journeying rearward by the side of an ambulance, within which lay what seemed a strangely delicate boy, insensible, and one would say, mortally ill.

THE FIRST SORROW.

Beautiful boy! so still to-night;
Little pale face, 'twas once so bright;
Weary mother, with tearful eyes,
Patiently hoping he will not die.
Oh, there is no grief so deep and clear,
None springs from the heart like a mother's tear.

Why wilt thou leave the bright green earth?
When the sunshine and roses are bursting forth,
When joy and plenty are on the wing,
Away to welcome the beautiful Spring,
And clouds of light from the crystal shore
Are gliding in at window and door?

Why wilt thou go, my own sweet child?
To the world too cruel, too sin-defiled?
Canst though not venture thy spotless soul
Where waves of the deepest color roll?
Nor dare to launch thy little boat,
Sweet boy, on the waters unbound afloat?

Ah! I have watched thee with jealous care,
And watted thy name on the wings of prayer;
Have listened thy tones with earnest joy,
And caress'd thy form, my angel boy.
Heaven wills it. I rise this test above,
With the faith and the trust of a mother's love.

—*Chambers's Journal.*

PREPARATION FOR A GERMAN STUDENTS' DUEL.—Next to the skin they wore a coarse white linen shirt, and a thick pad under the right arm to guard the brachial arteries. On the right arm were placed a thick leather glove and a silk sleeve, then a sleeve of quilted canvas about an inch thick, an elbow-pad of leather bound on with straps, and a canvas bandage over all. So thick were these bandages that it was impossible to let the arm hang by the side. A tightly-twisted silk handkerchief extended from the little finger along the outside of the wrist to guard it. A large, thick leather apron, slit in the middle so as to be fastened to each leg with straps, covered the lower part of the chest, and extended below the knees. To prevent an accidental wound in the eye, a pair of iron eyegoggles were strapped on, furnished with glasses for those who were short-sighted. A padded neck-guard completed the dress. Thus swathed and bandaged up, the appearance of the combatants was rather comical as, with their huge bandaged arms supported by friends, they walked with a slight swagger round the room, waiting till the umpire had taken his seat. The seconds were provided with arm-guards and leather peaked caps, with neck-guards like small bolsters, and with swords, not to protect their principals, but to prevent foul play. The umpire, watch and note-book in hand, soon took his seat, and the weapons were handed to the swordsmen. The swords have a very large iron-barred hilt, something of the shape of a claymore hilt, but much larger. They are quite straight, about three-quarters of an inch wide at the hilt and tapering to a quarter of an inch at the point. They are very thin and flexible, and low-tempered, in order that they may not be brittle, and require constant straightening during the fight. They are very sharp at the point for about nine inches; the rest is blunt.—*London Society.*

WORSHIP IN NICARAGUA.—Disposed according to principles of order incomprehensible, a crowd of dolls, beasts from "Noah's Ark" boxes, figures off cakes, and plaster-of-paris images. On the Tower of Babel was set out a doll's tea-service. Tin soldiers marched in order undisturbable under parsley trees, though against them, smiling, but terrible, advanced a China shepherdess with the evident resolve of eating up those little warriors. The lamb she led scowled ferociously. Herod, near by, wore a tinsel helmet. Pontius Pilate shone in a breast-plate made of four spangles sown together. Flying Cupids, each provided with a decent spangle about the waist, hovered over the scene. In the immediate foreground, before the foot-lights, stood as many images of the sort retailed by Italian boys in Europe as the householder could lay hands on. Victor Emmanuel, Garibaldi, and the late Emperor Napoleon were everywhere represented. The Venus De Medici, attired in satin, had her place in several shows; in one, where her figure was larger, she was posted outside the stage for adoration of the faithful. In another place I saw half a dozen women telling their beads before Venus in a blue petticoat, and not far off I observed a common statuette of plaster representing a ballet girl pirouetting dressed in blue silk, and offered for worship—not in vain. Such is the religion of Central America. Were not the old idols more dignified?—*All the Year Round.*

CHRISTIANITY.—We have been content, throughout our argument, to meet philosophy on its own ground, and the real question is this: Has, or has not, the system which for nineteen centuries has satisfied minds the wisest and most unsophisticated, which has proved intelligible alike to the hearts of rich and poor, a greater presumption in its favor than those systems which have never extended their influence beyond literary sects, and even among these are being perpetually rejected as inadequate? The constant aspiration of the human heart is toward what is higher than itself, as is shown by Mr. Carlyle's phrase "self-annihilation," and Mr. Arnold's phrase "our better self," yet no scheme of modern philosophy has suggested how we are to escape from "the shadow of ourselves." Christianity solves the enigma, and provides the means, as much more completely than "culture," as the belief in God is larger than the idea of our better self; as much more effectually than philosophy, as the Christian exposition of our duty to God and to our neighbor is more practical than the paradox of self-annihilation. And if it be true, as in a sense it is, that doubt of any kind can only be removed by action, where is there such scope for action as in Christian liberty? Were there, indeed, an inherent repugnance between those elements of our nature which Mr. Arnold calls the Hebraic and Hellenic, as certain fanatics have urged, this might be an argument against a religion which would tend to suppress the noblest human powers. But there is none. It cannot be said that the faith out of which modern civilization has sprung has dwarfed the energies of mankind. The scheme under which the intellect of Bacon and Newton could expand has nothing in itself hostile to science; the atmosphere which invigorated the imagination of Shakespeare has not been fatal to letters, nor has the religion which the genius of Raffaelle could glorify been unproductive of art. Great action in the sphere of art and letters is encouraged, where men are content to take for granted the first principles on which human society depends. It becomes impossible only when they spend all their intellectual energies on analysis, in the idle endeavor to solve questions which are by nature incapable of proof.—*Quarterly Review for October.*

THE INVENTOR OF THE CIRCULAR LETTER OF CREDIT.—James Coutts died in 1778. Patrick, who had for years retired from active life, died within the present century. Thomas was the survivor of all the brothers, and under his auspices the house in the Strand rose to its present distinction. One of his early and active partners was a man of some note, Mr. Robert Herries, eldest son of Herries of Halldykes, in Dumfriesshire, and who had been bred to business in Holland—then a common thing with young men—and was afterward a merchant in Barcelona. Herries was a man of genius. He struck out the novel idea of issuing what are now called "circular notes," by which travelers, on depositing money with a banker, may procure orders to the amount, payable according to convenience, at a great number of banking establishments abroad—each circular note being, in fact, a bill on London. Appreciated as these notes now are, it seems strange that the invention of Mr. Herries was looked so doubtfully upon, that he was led to separate himself from his previous connections, and, with the aid of some friends, to establish a bank on a new footing in St. James' street, 1772. Latterly, as is well known, Coutts & Co. have taken a peculiarly prominent part in the issue of circular notes; the success of which has fully verified the anticipations of their projector, Mr. Herries.—*Chambers's Journal.*

THE LAST DAYS OF BISHOP PATTESON.

From the London Quarterly Review.

On April 27, 1871, he set out for the closing voyage. At Mota, the missionary headquarters, he recognized a great progress. Christianity had so far become a power and habit of life, that he felt warranted, notwithstanding all his strictness about the administration of baptism, in giving that sacrament to the young children. He contemplates a visit, or more than a visit, to Fiji. On a Sunday evening a former scholar who seemed in the interval to have forgotten all comes to him in the dark like Nicodemus, and says:

"I have for days been watching for a chance of speaking to you alone! Always so many people about you. My heart is so full, so hot every word goes into it, deep, deep. The old life seems a dream. Everything seems to be new. When a month ago I followed you out of the *Sala Goro*, you said that if I wanted to know the meaning and power of this teaching, I must pray! And I tried to pray, and it becomes easier as every day I pray as I go about, and in the morning and evening; and I don't know how to pray as I ought, but my heart is light, and I know it's all true, and my mind is made up, and I have been wanting to tell you, and so is Sogoivnowut, and we four talk together, and all want to be baptized."—Vol. ii. pp. 533-4.

In July he leaves this island, where so deep a root had been struck, after baptizing 289 persons, and goes among the islands. His experience is generally pleasant, but it is checkered by rumors of crime and of retaliation for crime, in connection with the labor traffic. Returning to Mota, he records a concourse of people flocking to be taught. "I sleep on a table, people under and around it." (ii. 533, 541.) Such was the nightly preparation of the invalid for his long, laborious, uncomplaining days. Here, on the 6th of August, we have several most thoughtful pages on difficulties of theology. "How thankful I am that I am far away from the noise and worry of this skeptical yet earnest age." (ii. 542.) Sailing on the 20th, he sends to Bishop Abrahana (ii. 546) a most interesting summary of the state of things at Mota. The Bishops, his brethren in New-Zealand, jointly urged him to go to England, but he declined. The labor traffic still casts a dark shadow across his path. "I hear that a vessel has gone to Santa Cruz, and I must be very cautious there, for there has been some disturbance almost to a certainty." (ii. 557.)

And now, on Sept. 16, he finds himself off the Santa Cruz group.

"I pray God that if it be his will, and it it be the appointed time, He may enable us in His own way to begin some little work among these very wild but vigorous, energetic islanders. I am fully alive to the probability that some outrage has been committed here by one or more vessels. The master of the vessel that Atkin saw did not deny his intention of taking away from these or from any other island any men or boys he could induce to come on board. I am quite aware that we may be exposed to considerable risk on this account. I trust that all may be well; that if it be His will that any trouble should come upon us, dear Joseph Atkin, his father and mother's only son, may be spared. But I don't think there is very much cause for fear; first, because at these small reef islands they know me pretty well, though they don't understand as yet our object in coming to them; and they may easily connect us white people with the other white people we have been ill-using them; second, last year I was on shore at Nukapu and Piteni for some time, and I can talk somewhat with the people; third, I think that if any violence has been used to the natives of the north face of the large island, Santa Cruz, I shall hear of it from these inhabitants of the south face to the north, Nukapu and Piteni, and so be forewarned."—Volume ii., page 560.

Accordingly, to Nukapu he went. Four canoes were seen, hovering about the coral reef which surrounded the island. The vessel had to feel her way; so, lest the men in the canoes should be perplexed, he ordered the boat to be lowered, and when asked to go into one of the native boats, as this was always found a good mode of disarming suspicion, he did it, and was carried off toward the shore. The boat from the schooner could not get over the reef. The Bishop was seen to land on the beach, and was seen no more alive. But after awhile the islanders in the canoes began to discharge arrows at the crew of the boat, and Mr. Atkin was struck, with two others. The arrow-head of human bone was extracted from him, and the tide now rising, in spite of suffering and weakness, he crossed the reef to seek the Bishop. A canoe drifted toward them; the body of a man was seen as if crouching in it.

"As they came up with it, and lifted the bundle wrapped in matting into the boat, a shout or yell arose from the shore. Watè says four canoes put off in pursuit; but the others think their only object was to secure the now empty canoe as it drifted away. The boat came alongside, and two words passed, 'The body!' Then it was lifted up and laid across the skylight, rolled in the native mat, which was secured at the head and feet. The placid smile was still on the face; there was a palm leaf fastened over the breast, and when the mat was opened there were five wounds, no more.

"The wounds were, one evidently given with a club, which had shattered the right side of the skull at the temple, and probably was the first, and had destroyed life instantly and almost painlessly; another stroke of some sharp weapon had cloven the top of the head; the body was also pierced in one place, and there were two arrow-wounds in the legs, but apparently not shot at the living man, but stuck in after his fall and after he had been stripped, for the clothing was gone, all but the boots and socks. In the front of the cocoa-nut palm there were five knots made in the long leaflets. All this is an almost certain indication that his death was the vengeance for five of the natives. 'Blood for blood' is a sacred law almost of nature wherever Christianity has not prevailed, and a whole tribe is held responsible for the crime of one. Five men in Fiji are known to have been stolen from Nukapu; and probably their families believed them to have been killed, and believed themselves to be performing a sacred duty when they dipped their weapons in the blood of the Bisopè, whom they did not know well enough to understand that he was their protector. Nay, it is likely that there had been some such discussion as had saved him before at Mai from suffering for Peter's denial, and, indeed, one party seem to have wished to keep him from landing, and to have thus solemnly and reverently treated his body.

Even when the tidings came in the brief uncircumstantial telegram, there were none of those who loved and revered him who did not feel that such was the death he always looked for, and that he had willingly given his life. There was peace in the thought, even while hearts trembled with dread of hearing of accompanying horrors; and when the full story arrived, showing how far more painless his death had been than he had lived on to fear; from his broken health, and how wonderfully the unconscious heathen had marked him with emblems so sacred in our eyes, there was thankfulness and joy even to the bereaved at home.

The sweet calm smile preached peace to the mourners who had lost his guiding spirit, but they could not look on it long. The next morning, St. Matthew's Day, the body of John Coleridge Patteson was committed to the waters of the Pacific, his "son after the faith," Joseph Atkin, reading the burial service."—Vol. ii. pp. 569-71.

We have not space to dwell on the slaughter of Stephen Taroaniara, a native companion of the Bishop, faithful like him unto death; but we must devote a few lines to following the fate of Mr. Atkin, his well-beloved son in the ministry, and alas! the only son of his own mourning parents. He read the funeral office over the Bishop. On the 24th he celebrated the holy communion. During the celebration his tongue faltered over some of the words. He at once recognized the sign of doom. He met it on the morning of the 29th, with a mind contented in death, as it had been gallant, wise, and good in life, but with a body racked and stiffened by the horrors of tetanus.

The tearful history of so much nobleness now draws to its close; and we have to bid farewell to a life which was one of the few lives, in our time, touching the ideal. We will cite the touching words of a native convert, which the biographer has chosen to mark the conclusion of her work:

"As he taught, he confirmed his word with his good life among us, as we all know; and also that he perfectly well helped any one who might be unhappy about anything, and spoke comfort to him about it; and about his character and conduct, they are consistent with the law of God. He gave the evidence of it in his practice, for he did nothing carelessly, lest he should make any one stumble and turn from the good way; and again, he did nothing to gain anything for himself alone, but he sought what he might keep others with, and then he worked with it; and the reason was his pitifulness and his love. And again, he did not despise any one, nor reject any one with scorn, whether it were a white or a black person he thought them, all as one, and he loved them all alike."—Vol. ii. p. 579.

We are fully conscious that no summary can do justice to the character and career of Bishop Patteson, as they are exhibited in a work like this. But we trust that enough of its contents have been given to set forth an outline of the man, and to prompt our readers to learn for themselves how it was filled in. We shall endeavor to sum up what he was in a few words; sensible, nevertheless, that to those who have studied the picture, they will convey no lights unexpected or new, and that, to those who have not, they must savor of exaggeration. In him were singularly combined the spirit of chivalry, the glorious ornament of a bygone time; the spirit of charity, rare in every age; and the spirit of reverence, which the favorite children of this generation appear to have combined to ban. It is hardly possible to read the significant, but modest, record of his sacrifices, his labors, his perils, and his cares, without being vividly reminded of St. Paul, the prince and model of all missionary laborers; without feeling that the Apostolic pattern is not even now without its imitators, and that the copy in this case well and truly, and not remotely, recalls the original. Miss Yonge in touching words has observed that his wounds, like those of One greater than he, were five, probably in revenge for five murdered natives, and who in the records of the Church has more nobly won his *stigmata?* With a commendable reserve, she refrains from calling his death a martyrdom; yet, though the manslayer may have only been committing an act of revenge open to much palliation, it was in the strictest and most literal sense a death for Christ and for His Gospel; suffered once, quoted a hundred times, by a man who for years had borne his life in his hand, as he went upon his errand of true "sweetness and light," of mercy and of peace. The three highest titles that can be given to man are those of martyr, hero, saint; and which of the three is there that in substance it would be irrational to attach to the name of John Coleridge Patteson? To the country which owned him he was an honor; for the Church which formed him he was a token of high powers, and a pledge of noble destinies. Thankfully, indeed, might she commend him to his rest:

"Vattene in pace, alma beata e bella."*

*Orlando Furioso, xxix., 27.

A wayside cross has been erected to the memory of the Bishop near Alfington, by Lord Coleridge, as we are informed, with the following beautiful inscription:

IN MEMORY OF
JOHN COLERIDGE PATTESON, D. D.,
MISSIONARY BISHOP,
Born in London, 1st April, 1827.
Killed at Nukapu, near the Island of Santa Cruz,
20th September, 1871.

Together with two fellow-workers for our Lord,
The Reverend Joseph Atkin and Stephen Taroaniara,
(In vengeance for wrongs suffered at the hands of Europeans.)

By savage men whom he loved,
And for whose sake he gave up,
Home and country,
And friends dearer than his life.

Lord Jesus
Grant that we may live to Thee like him,
And stand in our lot with him
Before Thy Throne
At the end of the days.—Amen.

A kinsman desires
Thus to keep alive for aftertime
The memory of a wise, a holy,
And a humble man.

A PORTRAIT OF COURBET.—Courbet is now more than fifty-three. His hair blanched suddenly during the Communalist insurrection. He is tall and robust, and when his "first violent outrages on all taste and tradition," as the committee which accepted M. Ciesinger's nudities called his works, had rendered him fashionable as a tenor or lion-tamer, was cited as a very model of muscular beauty. His face is the reflection of an Assyrian bas-relief, one of those hard and curiously profound images to which early African art gave a weird spirituality by the prolongation of the upward curve of the eyebrow. There is vigor, sensuality, and withal the serenity of an adept in *Keyf*, expressed by each feature and movement of the bronzed mask. Morally, the painter is a rare composite of vanity, bonhomie, rusticity, and finesse—the finesse of the French peasant, proud of his two ares, and moving mountains to add a molehill to his territory. At first sight the painter appears beneath his reputation, beneath the numberless legends that tell of his adventures and witticisms. He does not always shed his crust of hardness, heaviness, and Beotian somnolence. He is prolific of gross epicurean maxims; he is not superior to the occasional cultivation of puns and *quiproquos*—those scentless flowers of pleasantry that are for French philistines the equivalents of old Dutch burghers' tulips. But it is only the animal in Courbet, *la bête*, that emits rough guffaws at a Rabelaisian riddle. On the authority of those who have known him best, on the evidence of the few studied letters he has written, notably those addressed to Proudhon, the artist is quick, shrewd, and subtle. His monstrous egotism, his all-pervading self-esteem, produce, it is true, that insurmountable obstinacy which most men associate with such elephantine proportions; but they in no way blunt his penetration or impair his remarkable faculty of assimilating to himself the most opposite and incongruous ideas. His continual ostentatious assertion of *le Moi* has been taken as a test on which every art critic in Paris has embroidered sarcasms, insults, and virtuous denunciations; but it is possible that his abnormal self-assumption was necessary for the free development of his artistic sense. Entering Paris a country lad without friends, without "protections"—those secret agents of half the literary and artistic successes of the Second Empire—a less exaggerated consciousness of his worth might have rendered him a lame routinier of the Institute, incapable of infusing his own peasant blood into his work, a servile imitator, a sacrificer to the "healthy doctrines of art," or a painter of demi-monde interiors like Giraud.—*Temple Bar.*

THE RETREAT OF THE ARMY OF THE LOIRE.—At night we reached Argent, and there we halted for two hours, and again we resumed our retreat. After this I have no clear recollection, only faint visions of what was taking place around me. I remember passing through a village—D'Aubigné, I believe, they called it. On both sides of the little street there were fires lit up, and around them groups of soldiers of all arms—*franc-tireurs* in their once gorgeous uniforms, lancers and dragoons wrapped up in their white, and cuirassiers in their scarlet cloaks. They exchanged no words; and if a new arrival approached, they moved aside to make room for him, and again fell into their state of torpor. If some gun passed, its heavy wheels crushing past close to them, they scarcely noticed it, and made no movement to avoid them. Instinctively, I drew near these fires, dragging my poor horse after me, and then I stood rejoicing at the delicious warmth that gradually penetrated into my stiffened limbs. With this, the feeling of duty came back, and I called upon the poor weary wretches around me to get up and fall in. But my orders, my entreaties were of no avail—all sense of discipline was gone. I remember seeing Mobiles, in groups of ten and twenty, throwing away their arms into ditches, and making across the fields, for some farm-houses we could see in the distance; and there they invaded every room, every corner, from garret to cellar, seeking for warmth and rest, and piteously begging for food. And when I saw passing before me these worn-out creatures, without arms, without shoes, begging for a morsel of bread at every door, I wondered if they were the same I had been with a few days before, so full of fire and spirit. Was that the Army of the Loire? that army of citizens defending the sacred soil of the country, that I had read of in Gambetta's proclamations?—*Chambers's Journal.*

FRENCH PLAYS IN OLD ENGLISH THEATRES.—At the Haymarket Theatre a serious riot occurred in October, 1738, fifteen months after the passing of the licensing measure. Closed against English actors, the theatre was opened by a French company, armed with a license from the Lord Chamberlain. A comedy, called "L'Embarras de Richesses," was announced for representation "by authority." The house was crowded immediately after the opening of the doors. But the audience soon gave evidence of their sentiments by singing in chorus the "Roast Beef of Old England." Then followed loud huzzas and general tumult. Deveil, one of the Justices of the Peace for Westminster, who was present, declared the proceedings to be riotous, and announced his intention to maintain the King's authority. He stated, further, that it was the King's command that the play should be acted, and that all offenders would be immediately secured by the guards in waiting. In opposition to the magistrate, it was maintained "that the audience had a legal right to show their dislike to any play or actor; that the judicature of the pit had been acquiesced in, time immemorial; and as the present set of actors were to take their fate from the public, they were free to receive them as they pleased." When the curtain drew up the actors were discovered standing between two files of grenadiers, with their bayonets fixed and resting on their firelocks. This seeming endeavor to secure the success of French acting by the aid of British bayonets still more infuriated the audience. Even Justice Deveil thought it prudent to order the withdrawal of the military. The actors attempted to speak, but their voices were overborne by hisses, groans, and "not only catcalls, but all the various portable instruments that could make a disagreeable noise." A dance was next essayed; but even this had been provided against; showers of peas descended upon the stage, and "made capering very unsafe." The French and Spanish Ambassadors, with their ladies, who had occupied the stage-box, now withdrew, only to be insulted outside the theatre by the mob, who had cut the traces of their carriages. The curtain at last fell, and the attempt to present French plays at the Haymarket was abandoned, "the public being justly indignant that while an arbitrary act suppressed native talent, foreign adventurers should be patronized and encouraged." It must be said, however, that the French actors suffered for sins not their own, and that the wrath of the public did not really reach the Lord Chamberlain or effect any change in the Licensing act.—*All the Year Round.*

THE CHINESE HEROIC PERIOD.—Gan-tsze was a trusty servant to the Duke of Ts'e, and one day the Duke said to him, "Your house is too near the market. The noise and dust must annoy you. Besides, it is, too small. I will build you a better one." Gan-taze declined the offer on the plea that what was good enough for his father was good enough for him. "Besides," said he, "it is so convenient to live near the market; I can always get what I want easily." The Duke laughingly rejoined, "Of course you know the prices of things, then. Tell me what is cheap and what is dear." Gan-tsze replied, "Shoes for people whose toes have been cut off are dear, but other shoes are cheap." Cutting off the toes was one of the forms of punishment in Ts'e, and this Duke was so severe in inflicting it that there were persons who sold shoes specially made for the toeless. Gan-tsze's reply set the Duke thinking, and from that time he diminished the severity of his judgments. Afterward, however, he took advantage of Gan-tsze's absence on an embassy to erect a fine mansion for him, to make room for which he pulled down some houses of the common people, and of course without going through the formality of getting an act of Parliament passed, and providing compensation for the evicted proprietors. Gan-tsze came back, and learned what was done. He went to court, reported his mission, and returned thanks for the ducal favor in presenting him with so splendid an abode. He then went home, had the new house rased to the ground, rebuilt the dwellings which had stood on the site, and reinstalled their inhabitants.—*The Cornhill Magazine.*

ENGLISH LITERATURE.—Though much behind the French in polish and critical perception, England has produced a literature more vigorous and original than her neighbor. At the same time that the elements of civil society began to form themselves under Elizabeth, art and learning struck deep root in the country. The governing classes in England have never regarded the practice of letters as a degrading pursuit; on the contrary, they have seen in literature a great conservative power. The names of Sackville, Sidney, and Raleigh are among the earliest refiners of our language; the name of Bacon stands pre-eminent in our philosophy; a large proportion of the names in Johnson's *Lives of the Poets* belong to the ranks of the nobility and gentry, and, though representing mere mediocrity, serve to show the national inclination to poetry. Yet the prejudices of rank and position have not in England disturbed the true balance in the kingdom of letters. Dryden, as monarch of the coffee-house, numbered peers among his subjects; and, we venture to say that in no modern society but that of England could a man with so many social defects as Johnson have exercised the prerogative that was freely yielded to his noble genius. This freedom and equality has produced its result in the strength, the variety, and the amplitude of our literature; but, above all, in the influence it has possessed over the national affections and the character of our greatest countrymen. Marlborough avowed that he knew no history but what he learned from Shakespeare. And what a depth of meaning lies in the pathetic anecdote of Wolfe, who, as he was being rowed toward the heights of Abraham, repeated Gray's "Elegy" to his companions, exclaiming at the conclusion that he would rather have been the author of the poem than be the victor in the approaching battle.—*Quarterly Review.*

THE ROCKING-CHAIR IN SMYRNA.—Throughout the whole wide Orient, the Mussulman idea of the proper province of woman, and the immodesty of offering her unveiled face to the stare of the stranger, is carried out, even among the Greek Christians subject to the Porte. In fact, with them the exclusion of the women from all public places, and their strict separation from all male society, abroad or at home, are almost as absolute as with the Mussulman. So that most attractive feature of the European garden is lacking at Smyrna. But passing from the cafés into the streets, and looking through windows jealously barred with iron gratings, we may descry any quantity of Greek or Levantine women, either squatted on the floor, or lazily swinging backward and forward in American rocking-chairs, which have become quite an article of importation in consequence of their adaptability to the indolent habits of the female population. The rocking-chair exactly suits the fair Smyrniote, combining gentle exercise with little or no exertion, and giving movement without fatigue. Laziness put into action peculiarly fits their constitution and habits; and hence the rocking-chair is the great "American institution" most cordially approved of and patronized in "Giaour Ismir."—*Temple Bar.*

THE BARONESS BURDETT-COUTTS.—Outliving all his brothers, Thomas Coutts became the first banker in London—great from his wealth and munificence, mingling in the highest circles, and never forgetting Edinburgh, which he visited occasionally; notably on one occasion when along with Sir Walter Scott, his friend, (and kinsman through the Allanbank family,) he was complimented with "the freedom of the city." He died at a very advanced age in 1821, when by the male line the Couttses were extinct. By his first marriage he had three daughters—the "Three Graces," as they were called. Susan, the eldest became Countess of Guilford; Frances, the second, became Marchioness of Bute; and Sophia, the youngest, was married to Sir Francis Burdett, Bart., the noted politician in the early years of the present century. Angela, the youngest daughter of Sir Francis, having succeeded to the great property of her grandfather, Mr. Coutts, under the will of that gentleman's widow, the Duchess of St. Albans, assumed by sign manual the additional surname of Coutts, and in 1871, was created Baroness Burdett-Coutts—on whose public spiritted undertakings, extensive yet delicate acts of beneficence, and efforts at home and abroad to assuage the sufferings of animals, it would be quite unnecessary to expatiate.—*Chambers's Journal.*

SMYRNA AND FIGS.—It would be hazarding little to say that the fig-tree is the main prop and support of Smyrna, and that its fruit, fresh or dried, furnishes the chief pabulum of her people's prosperity. The fig, in every phase, from imperfect to perfect ripeness, "with jacket on," or smothered in sugar, or neatly packet in drums for exportion, (in which labor most of the adult population seems employed,) meets the eye everywhere. Without entering into statistical details unsuited to this article, suffice it to say that this peculiar industry gives constant and profitable employment to thousands of the population, and it is litterly "by their fruits" that we know the Smyrniotes. This really constitutes the chief trade of this bustling and busy little city, netting a royal revenue annually for "Ginour" Ismir from the remote infidel on the banks of the Thames or the Hudson.—*Temple Bar.*

LONDON CONSERVATISM.—A short time ago there was a great deal of discussion about the removal of Temple Bar, and the utilitarians could not understand how it was that their proposal to pull down the old gateway met with such general opposition. Their arguments seemed plausible enough. They said: Temple Bar is very much in the way; it is very ugly; it is of no earthly use, and greatly interferes with traffic. Moreover, it has no very pleasing associations; the fact that the heads of malefactors used to be exposed upon it being in itself almost a sufficient reason for destroying it and its ghastly memories together. The truth is that Londoners have desired to retain Temple Bar, not for its beauty, for it has none; nor for its services, for they are no longer required; nor yet for its especial associations—but simply because it carries our minds back to the times when our great overgrown metropolis was confined within reasonable limits, and, in so doing, suggests at once a thousand reflections upon what we once were, and how we have developed into what we are. The anomalous privileges retained by the City itself are pure anachronisms now; but it is matter for legitimate pride that they are used so wisely and well in our altered circumstances, that there is little or no complaint against them, and we like to think that we are not such *parvenus* that our customs and institutions must needs be all brand-new. We care more for the notched and dinted armor which has seen some service, and can be trusted to see more, than for an elaborate suit of clothes just made to the measure of the times, but which will certainly be worn out before long.—*Tinsley's Magazine.*

MEDITATIONS ON SHIRT-COLLARS.

HOW THEY TURNED UP AT FIRST, AND HOW THEY TURNED DOWN AT LAST.

The shirt-collar may seem a very trifling subject to meditate on. But there have been readable meditations on broomsticks—one, at least, and that was written by a certain Dr. Swift, of Laracor, at the request of the ladies of Dublin Castle, who longed to have something moral in the style of Hon. Robert Boyle; and a single shirt-collar has more interest for the male portion of the community than many broomsticks, coming more home to their business, or their bosoms, every day of their lives. For it is really quite a business for a great many to regulate the fitting and the sitting of that sartorial artifice, such as we have it just now in the popular style—a plague of small buttons and button-holes before and behind, and either strangling us on the one hand, or utterly refusing to adjust itself to any sort of neck-tie on the other. There are those who have spent an hour by the dial, *sans* intermission, over or under one of those frauds in a morning, and then emphatically wondered why shirt-collars should ever have been invented in a world that has miseries enough without them.

The wise ancients knew nothing about such things, content to wear their shirts as far as the throat, as well as to wear them much longer (in every sense) than they are worn now. The shirt-collar began to crop up after the Wars of the Roses, (our instances being drawn from our mother islands,) for before that time men had mostly to do with such neck-gear as gorgets and corselets, things produced by the rougher order of Milaners. Henry VIII. wore his shirts without a collar; but soon after the inner garment bourgeoned along the neck and up to the ears in a ruff of the finest linen. This was worn by noblemen and gentlemen on court and state occasions, as may be seen in the portrait of the poet-Earl of Surrey, the romantic lover of the fairest Geraldine. It was not very unlike the little ruffs now worn by the ladies, though its folds were rounder and fuller. Subsequently the nobles of Elizabeth's reign enlarged the idea. The ruff was then worn high enough and broad enough to shadow a man's shoulders, and the picture of Edmund Spenser, the poet, who imitated the fashion of those grand courtiers on whom he waited so long and so wearily, looks like "John the Baptist's head in a charger." Sir Philip Sidney, the glass of fashion and the mold of form, in his day, shows his head in just such another circle of shirt-collar. At the same time existed a more moderate style of collar, one that lay, in its plain whiteness, on the top or cape of the doublet to the depth of five or six inches, and in this the gentlemen of England must have very often looked like the big schoolboys of a later age. George Herbert and George Buchanan wear such a clout; and it may be observed, in parenthesis, that such a style of collar is the one chosen by Tennyson, the poet-laureate, for his latest portrait, in which, with his lank hair, he has the shaded look of Sir J. Wotton, or any other former celebrity in a very old picture-gallery.

By degrees the above-mentioned horizontal ruff grew limp and rested on the shoulder with scolloped edges of lace, as in the portraits of Beaumont, the dramatist, and of Charles I. and his cavaliers; and so by degrees this large ornamental fashion dwindled, and generally gave way to the simpler one of the plain collar round the cape of the coat. Shakespeare is represented in such a collar on his doublet in the sculpture over his tomb, the only trustworthy likeness of him that we have—a likeness so different from the fancy sketch of the Chandos portrait, or the portraits latterly made out by German artists and imitated with such *grandiose* effect in that very imposing "statua" in our Central Park, which puts to flight all our familiar ideas of the "gentlest Shakespeare." Ben Jonson, or Johnson, usually wore a rough clout of a collar, falling in a crumpled way from his rocky cheek and chin, and Massinger, like a great many others, wore a little turn-down over his doublet, not very unlike the collars worn by people at present. The men of the English Republic, Cromwell, Ireton, Pym, and the rest, wore the plain falling collars, contrasting with those of the cavaliers, which were full of lace and embroidery. *Hudibras* Butler, who hated the Roundheads so wittily, was among the last to wear a collar in the latter ornamented style. The malcontent, Algernon Sidney, affected a simple kind of republican clout, and Hobbes the philosopher, wears such another over the cape of his vest.

Then another change in the shirt-collar. It shrank from the capes of the coat to the inside, close to the neck. It remained on the outside longest on the breasts of clergymen, dwindling to the shape of two small bands, such as are still worn by the Episcopal ministers. The throat-fashion then became very simple, and the poets, Prior, Addison, Gay, and subsequently Allan Ramsay, are represented with collars closed with a button or pin showing, like that fashion of the common people which most persons remember; and showing, also, that poets can have the most sensible ideas on the subject of dress and its conveniences. But the men of fashion interfered and brought in a mode that extinguished the collar altogether. They wore the rich full cravat, made of the finest lawn, and knotted gracefully in front, where its two laced ends hung down upon the waistcoat. Thus began, in the time of Charles II., the reign of the cravat, which lasted for a hundred years and more, for it is a thing remembered by everybody. No shirt-collar was visible in the last century, that is, in full dress, or in portraiture, save in a few fanciful instances, such as that of Oliver Goldsmith, who sits in his open shirt collar, after the Irish fashion of the old people at home. Soldiers and civilians alike wore the lace cravat, and subsequently, in the first decades of the present century, the plain cravat of cambric. A cravat of this sort makes a magnificent show round the neck of Beau Brummell, who travailed every morning to make himself presentable in the evening. But the generality of people disliked such swathing, and by degrees allowed a small piece of the long-buried shirt-collar to show itself above the cravat. These two poets distinguished for the genius of social meeting that possessed them, pulled off their cravats and consulted their own convenience, or fancy, in the matter of shirt collars. These were Lord Byron and Percy Shelley, who closed their collars with a button or a pin, and so presented themselves in their portraits. At times Shelley neglected his button, and in his portrait he has the look of a great school boy with a bare throat. This fashion was considered poetical, and was adopted by some young people, but it did not last. Tom Moore, living among the aristocracy of England, did not venture on such a radical innovation; but in compliment to Lord Byron, he pulled his collar a little way above his cravat, and his "counterfeit presentment" looks all the better for it.

In the decline of the cravat came up the military fashion of tall stocks. Many will remember those lofty gorgets, built up inside with flexible whalebone, and stiffening the whole aspect of a man. Some of them may be still seen in our streets on the necks of elderly people recently arrived from the more primitive districts of the old world. They were fastened behind with a buckle, and rose up so high that the shirt-collar was half its time invisible, till it was enlarged and so starched that it rasped the wearer's ears, and gave him a good deal of annoyance at the poll. To remedy this last, a large crescent was cut away from the collar behind, while in front its elongated points came up to the corners of the mouth. It was a kind of pillory, especially to those who were anxious to keep the collar from being bent down and crushed by the chin. The next change attached a dark paramatta or satin front to the stock, and under this the shirt-bosom became for some years invisible, saving, of course, in the full evening dress. This bosom covering was ornamented with pins, some of them extremely large and loud, and then, thrown completely into the shade, the shirt-collar went down again, so that in general nothing was seen in a man's dress to give the world assurance of a shirt. The change seemed to be a relief to everybody, except the laundresses. The men of business liked it, and the men of fashion made the most of it, as may be seen in the portraits of D'Orsay, Bulwer, and other dandies of England. The first fresh portrait of Charles Dickens shows that blending of the stock and the scarf, and nothing of the shirt.

Twenty years ago that fashion had passed away, and the shirt and its collar came to the light once more, and have remained in it ever since. But their old union has suffered change. It is now a union in partition, and the collar has its separate maintenance, and must be carefully fastened when the individual has got into the body of the shirt, and then brings both hands to bear on an effort made at the back of his head and visible only to his mind's eye. When the junction is made, before and behind, it is a question of the tie, and this to a great many persons is so impracticable that a little central bow-knot, like a pen-wiper, is stuck on as a matter of dire necessity, and this is at present your only wear. The new style has its reasons—for it is not totally irrational—in the smoothness, neatness, and convenience of the white band, which may be renewed every day, and oftener than the shirt itself. But it is an awkward and troublesome contrivance altogether, and our fashionists must try again, on the old plan of keeping the shirt and collar together, with only one button, and that in front, as before. The new style has too much buttoning and fastening, and life is short. Human temper is also short. A Frenchman once went to the Pont Neuf and drowned himself, telling a friend on the way that life was a mere business of buttoning and unbuttoning. The shirt-makers should not lead people into temptation. A neat little standing collar, closing easily, and allowing a ribboon

MATRIMONIAL PROBLEMS.

NEW LIGHT ON OLD QUESTIONS.

THE ART AND MYSTERY OF HOUSEKEEPING—PEOPLE WHO CAN LIVE ON $1,200 AND PEOPLE WHO CAN'T LIVE ON $6,000 A YEAR—HUSBANDS AND WIVES ON THE DEFENSIVE—BACHELORS WAITING FOR SPOUSES, AND BACHELORS STILL UNREPENTANT—A SOLID ARRAY OF BONA FIDE EXPERIENCE.

At the request of numerous correspondents we have reopened for a little the controversy of celibacy vs. matrimony. As a practical and interesting development of the subject, we have given a place to some of the shoal of letters which have been elicited by the very frank avowal of the "young wife who is not anxious," which appeared in THE TIMES of Wednesday last. We repeat our caution to correspondents who have anything further to say on this subject, that it is desirable to confine themselves to a brief detail of personal experience. Criticism of those holding opposite views, however tempting is only of secondary interest to general readers, who may be trusted to form their own judgment on the views of the various parties in the controversy.

A DREADFUL OUTLOOK.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The letter of the "Young Wife who is not Anxious" solves the whole mystery of bachelorhood, and its publication in your columns will very much increase the awful dread of the holy estate now so prevalent. A few more such letters will leave us dependent upon our friends on the other side of the world for population. H. W.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Thursday, Nov. 19, 1874.

AN UNREFORMED JULIA.

To the Editor of The New-York Times:

I've ask for experience. I married at thirty a well-educated and well-principled girl from a good family in a village. Her habits, dress, and tastes were most simple and inexpensive. This all suited me exactly, though born and bred in this City. My mother always had insisted that a city girl would prove to be quieter, since she had exhausted the rounds of frivolity. Perhaps she was near the truth. Transplanted to the City, the country girl has her "visiting list," pushes her daughters into the dance, hall, and society of the wealthy classes. She attends to her housewife duties, but is worried "to death" because she undertakes too much. She disturbs and unsettles servants because of her "nervousness," which is hurry. When her husband suggests the cause of her troubles, she suggests his team, and not company, is needed. He is for it.

SEXAGENARIAN.

EDUCATE HOUSEKEEPERS.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Having read all the correspondence in your columns about housekeeping, I like to give my opinion also.

It is fact that a large number of families lead an uncomfortable and miserable life for want of an experienced housekeeper. Yet there are many women that never will or can, even if there is a will, make good housekeepers. As little as a boy, feeling inclined to study, would make a good cook or hotelkeeper, &c. The question springs up, how to remedy it and how to make a sweet home?

Answer—Engage competent help, with compensation proportionately, to take the charge of the incompetent. Many will say a man of moderate income cannot afford that. Very well. In such a case the wife is obliged to assist her husband in procuring the means for it. If girls were taught, like boys, from early youth, that they have to choose some vocation to be useful members of family and society, the next generation would exhibit a considerable increase of competent housekeepers.

A FOREIGN WIFE.

BROOKLYN, Thursday, Nov. 19.

WOMANLY.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In the letter in your paper of yesterday I find a sentiment conveyed which I do not believe is the sentiment of the majority of the wives of today. If a wife does not live for those she loves, for whom does she live? And if she does not love her husband she has no right to be his wife, provided he is what he should be, and also loves her; and, where there is the proper love in a family there can be no "slavery." We are slaves to our children; but is it not a most blessed slavery? I consider we are amply repaid for all our trouble, (if you please to call it so,) if we succeed in making our homes a place where our husbands and children will most love to be. And it is not so difficult as far as the domestic part is concerned. We have only to give proper heed to Bridget and Mary, be mistress ourselves, and not let the reins of government slip into their hands. See that everything be looked after in time, and done in its proper order. I have no doubt that as a majority the marriageable part of our day need only to find men whom they can first respect, and then love, to become most devoted of wives, and apt pupils in the science of housekeeping.

AN INTERESTED LOOKER-ON.

THURSDAY, Nov. 19, 1874.

RATHER CRUSTY.

To the Editor of The New-York Times:

When you come to the discussion of the expense of housekeeping, you get on to a stony ground that many of us married men are weary and footsore over. It is so long since I was a single man, though only three years by mere calendar time, that I cannot now even imagine the joy of bachelorhood and the romance of its freedom and the sweet charm of its independence. I advise no man unless he is a millionaire to attempt to soothe by marriage the young maiden of the period. I have $6,000 a year, and find it totally inadequate.

In every woman—to use a figure, and there are a great many figures necessary in dealing practically with this question—there is a huge bonfire blazing, lighting up the dark night of matrimony with lurid streaks of flame. If my husband can't pitch in logs fast enough the household gods will be burnt up next. All our time is taken to draw this wood. We must bring separate logs each for fashion, society, lace, travel, amusement, religiosity, diamonds, dress, fiction, &c.

Out of my experience I propose that the bachelors hold a convention, and pledge themselves each to the other not to desert the brotherhood for the space of ten years. In the meantime let us married men go out as missionary bands, in order to revive among the young ladies the ancient beliefs that loveliness of character is to be valued above even the cut of the dress, and that the love of a true heart is more to be prized than the prettiest feather that ever plumed a bonnet. HUSBAND.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Nov. 9, 1874.

A MAN WHO IS ABOUT TO "TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I think the trouble with most of the correspondents who cry out against marriage is that they have never been in love, or if they have they have probably been disappointed. There are, alas! too many women who marry just to be married, (more women than men, I think.) They can't expect to live a happy life, and the man who marries such a woman is deserving of commiseration, and should have the thanks of the rest of mankind for taking such a woman from among the many good and loving girls who would be a blessing to any household. I am a man of twenty-six years, single, though I don't intend to be so long. I have an income of from $2,000 to $3,000, and although I do not save much now, have not any doubt but I can live much more comfortably (but perhaps in not quite as fashionable a location) married than I do as a single man. I do not believe that there are many men who, if they really loved a woman, would hesitate to marry if they could see a certainty of $2,000 per year, for if they are not willing to deny themselves some of the extravagances of bachelorhood for the companionship of a true and loving woman, they are not much in love, or, as the boys say, their time has not come yet. If my poor attempt to express my views has not arrived too late, I should be pleased to see them made so public as being published by you in certain to make them, for perhaps they may add some poor fellow to make up his mind that if others dare attempt the step he will do likewise, and take the consequences, whatever they may be. A. W. A.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Nov. 19, 1874.

"THE SERVANTS WON'T STAND IT."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I am not exactly an anxious wife, but I am very much interested in the housekeeping question, and I have a little to say about it which I hope may be of some use. Your editorial called "Man as a Housekeeper," is severe enough. To be brief, I admit that you are right. That is the way to keep house, and I can only express my admiration and surprise at a man with an ordinary understanding housekeeping so thoroughly as did the writer of that article, if, indeed, it was a man that wrote it, and you did not get a woman to write it for you. But somehow it was neither and clever, and nearer to get away from than a woman's cutting it.

Yes, I confess that is the way to keep house, and I also confess that it is not the way I do it. But, dear Mr. Editor, have some pity on us poor wives; we can't keep house so if we would. Our mothers did, you're quite right there. My mother did, I know, and my husband's mother did, as I am assured about once a month; and so did my aunts, and I have tried to do it. But somehow things won't go so methodically now. We are called off and interrupted more than our mothers were; and besides the servants won't stand it. If I was to undertake to oversee my cook and my chambermaid, as your Man as a Housekeeper would have us all do, they would give me a week's warning on the spot, besides telling me to my face, most likely, that I was "no lady" to come poking into things in that way. Not that I should care about their saying that, but it shows their disposition. This is my case. I see what I ought to do, but I can't do it, and so I sign myself A PUZZLED WIFE.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Nov. 19, 1874.

A HAPPY HOME.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I want to say to one of your correspondents of last Sunday's paper, that he is a coward if he is afraid to marry on what he says is his income. My husband's salary is but $1,500, and yet we have lived comfortably and even luxuriously on it for seven years, although we boarded most of the time out in New-Jersey. We have been housekeeping for the past two years and live well. My husband generally dines in New-York during the week—has good dinners too—although he does not require to take wine, nor does he wish it, having no fondness for spirituous liquors. We have part of a house in Brooklyn, "on the hill," in a good neighborhood, though not what some call stylish. I am the daughter of "well-to-do," or rich, parents, and never was obliged to do much house-work, yet I can keep house equal to any one, and am vain enough to boast that I can prepare and cook a first-rate dinner. I am "maid of all work," except the washing and ironing, which I have done out for $2 per week. I entertain company in the evening very often with playing on the piano, singing, &c., having had a fair education, although had only about one year's "polish" at a boarding-school. I make my husband's shirts, my own and daughter's dresses, &c., and find leisure to read and visit. We have had two children, but only one lived, a little girl of three years, who is truly the "sunshine of life." We cannot afford to go often to places of amusement, but we are happy and contented at home. I defy any one to find a happier or more comfortable home anywhere. I am always well dressed, although not extravagantly, and there is not a better dressed man anywhere than my husband. He gets the best material, because he finds it the cheapest in the end; but he can keep his clothes looking newer and better than most men; does not lounge around the house in his best clothes; does not use tobacco in any form; never spends his evenings from home. If I had the time and space I should give your correspondent the items, and show him that he could easily marry on less than his present income, and be comfortable and happy. There are plenty of good and pretty girls who would make him a good wife; but he must "look before he leaps," and be careful and not get a slattern or lazy woman.

A GREAT ADMIRER OF THE TIMES.

THE LONG SEARCH.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

DEAR SIR: As you have wisely reconsidered your determination to print no more letters on the "bachelor" question, I take the liberty to write you again. My letter, giving "particulars," &c., was received by the bachelor, who expresses himself as being "open to conviction," very much as I supposed it would be. It has done him no good, and only excited his ridicule. Ridicule is very well in its way, when there is anything to laugh at, but the whole tenor of this young man's letter is that of one who willfully misrepresents, or else is inexcusably ignorant. I must say that it left the impression upon my mind of having been written by some young person who had not been very long in the City, and knew very little of the way in which people live here.

If he has ever been in Europe, he must know that it is a very common, indeed almost a universal custom, for bachelors to have coffee and rolls in their room before going out in the morning. If a student or literary worker goes to bed at 1 or 2 A. M. and does not rise till 10 A. M., he usually eats but two meals a day. If our friend knows anything about New-York he must know that there is a large class of bachelors here, also, who live in the same way, and if he thinks it is funny, he is laughing at something of which he has no conception.

He wishes to know who washes the dishes. I do that myself. I also do my own mending, and it is all better done than any woman can do it.

With regard to the pedestrian feats of the ladies who are kind enough to accompany me to the theatre, he will see, if he looks again at my account, that an average of $4 a night is enough to pay for car and stage fares, and for a carriage in stormy weather.

With regard to accepting invitations to dinner, without making a return, I confess I am puzzled to know what he means. What does our friend do by way of return? Does he invite his old married friends to dine at his boarding-house? His remarks about dinner at Martinelli's, &c., show that he doesn't know what a table d'hôte is, or else that he means to be excruciatingly funny. I answered his former letter because I thought he really wished to learn how to be economical. But he is so hard to teach, and so dull to understand, and apparently has such a substratum of ignorance to build upon, that any attempt to instruct him through a newspaper I see to be folly.

A BACHELOR.

Who has been fifteen years looking for a wife.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Nov. 19, 1874.

THE TEACHINGS OF EXPERIENCE.

To the Editor of The New-York Times:

It may be of some service to your bachelor readers to know something of the experience of a young married man. I have given the matter two years' practical test, and have a family of two children. I married on a salary of $1,200, and got along comfortably. I married a cultivated, refined, and capable girl, who has won her way into good society, and I think has in no small degree contributed to my advancement in life by drawing friends about me. We set out with the determination of living for ourselves and not other people. We attempted no display, and none was expected of us. We boarded at first in one room at $12 per week in a good neighborhood, attended church regularly, and soon made friends in the congregation. As my income increased we indulged more freely in luxuries, but always lived within our means. I have thus lived on an income ranging from $1,200 to $3,000 per annum. I am now living on $3,000 per annum, and laying up all over that amount. I expect to be several thousand dollars better off in the world at the end of this year, as I find I can live well enough to suit me on three thousand. I have a house nicely furnished, keep one servant, dress well, and make a fair show, but we do not spend much for amusements, traveling, and trifles that require large expenditures. My wife has never been to an opera and but a very few times to a theatre.

If the bachelors will look about them in our churches they will find girls who are willing to help them in life, to stand side by side with them in whatever may befall, and make them a hundred times more comfortable and happy than they now are on the same money. Gentlemen do not require half the expenditures that seem necessary before marriage; they will find enjoyment in their homes not to be compared with the indolent, selfish lounging of the bachelor, or the hilarity of a club. I say, therefore, to those who have manhood enough to dare to live for one's own self, and not for the world, take a wife, whatever your income; do not deceive her in the beginning and she will not deceive you during life; tell her frankly your circumstances, and start no better than you can hold out, and all will go well. I would rather live in one room with my wife and family, and have but scanty fare, than trade conditions with any bachelor who has given up the idea of marriage. A MARRIED MAN.

WANTS A PARAGON.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your matrimonial editorial last Sunday can be studied with great profit by the ladies, since they understand us bachelors as little as we do them. I have an income of $3,000 a year and have been seeking a wife for ten years. The income would have been far larger by this time had I not been altruistic in my tendencies. Such a course has better prepared me to be a good husband in every respect, except in the possession of a large capital, than an excessive pursuit of wealth would. I have had the advantage of being born of vigorous, moral, and intellectual ancestors, in having health and a liberal education, and that social culture that is the result of a long-continued association with the most cultivated ladies. I have none of the so-called vices.

If I should find a wife my altruism would be confined to my family till I became financially stronger.

You shall now have my ideal of a wife for whom I sadly long. She must be healthy, and physically adapted to me. I have the nervo-sanguine temperament. I have no foolish pride of ancestry, but I think girls inherit the virtues of their sires, and I want the mother of my children to transmit to them the accumulated virtues of many generations. Both of us, when we thoroughly know each other, should be the in sympathy, and take a mutual interest in each other's welfare. I am willing to make a hearty effort to grow in her favor by moving in directions which we both approve of taking. I expect her to do the same. I would like her to have such an education as Vassar or our own Normal College gives. If we were blessed with children, I would like her to have the disposition and capacity to study hygiene enough to act wisely at the period their health should be most watched. I would like her whole life to be one of preparation for the training of her children in every excellence, in which she should have my sympathy and active effort.

I would like her to be well acquainted with the art of cooking, and to make her skill her pride, or to have the disposition to learn after marriage. I would like to have her disposed to join me in cultivating social accomplishments, so that we could furnish some inducements for the cultivated and refined to visit our home and charm us with their society. I would like her to have that practical piety that would lead her to be kind and helpful to her servants and neighbors. I would be diligent in my business, so that all household and personal wants could be promptly supplied, and in my leisure hours I would support her by my sympathy, my love, and by active co-operation. Are mothers of the period training their daughters to make wives after the pattern above? If the world is full of such young ladies, where should we look for them? E. O. M.

IN REPLY TO ESTHER LAVINIA.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Allow me, please, to state my views upon this interesting subject of "Bachelors." My task will not be to praise my lonely companions, but more of a reply to the fair creature, at the tender age of eighteen, who seems to know the ups and downs of bachelors. I refer to a correspondent in your edition of Nov. 1. Miss Esther Lavinia White certainly has had a hard time of it among her masculine acquaintances. Her whole object seems to be to provide a retreat for our sex, where woman is not to enter. She even offers her pin-money toward building comfortable rooms, with stationary spittoons, that her "dear old papa and good-for-nothing brothers" might dwell therein a certain portion of their lives, which she styles as the "expectorating part." Would it not be better to send those "good-for-nothing brothers" to Albany, that they may follow in the tracks of one of their kind, who delighted in expectorating upon the fine dresses of Albany's fairest creatures?

Albany has a very comfortable building for such. Not only are the "spittoons" stationary, but the beds, chairs, windows, and, in fact, the very doors are so. The reason, no doubt, is that the happy fellows may have silence and comfort during the "expectorating part of their lives." Having such buildings, why should we spend more money? There are many who need food—give it to them.

She earnestly requests you to "induce some sublime philanthropist to build rooms for bachelors who don't know how to treat their mothers, *daughters*, and sisters." I admit bachelors can have mothers and sisters—where do the "daughters" come in?

Miss Esther's masculine acquaintances must be a sad lot. It appears they are accustomed to "kick, cuff, and swear" at their lady friends. Fine specimens of humanity, I must say. I do not wonder "men are to be pitied" if she judges all of us by these fellows; but I should think Miss Esther needs more pity than we do. Poor creature! she has all I can spare. She does condescend to call us "dears." How consoling! Save you money, Miss Esther. I see you shall need it all to buy tea, feed your cat, and keep your birds in seed.

SINGLE BLESSEDNESS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Friday, Nov. 20, 1874.

A BILL OF COSTS.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Permit me to add to your articles on housekeeping a statement of cost of living for a man and wife. My statement is based on twelve years' experience as a housekeeper, during which time I have lived on sums varying from $500 to $3,000 per annum. A good home located in New-Jersey, say ten miles from New-York City, with garden attached, sufficient to supply vegetables and to raise poultry, can be rented for $300 yearly. Commutation to and from New-York, $75. I then allow for provisions, (aside from those raised on the place,) $400; fire, $50; washing, $35; clothing for wife, $150; ditto for self, $100; leaving a margin of $90, or nearly $2 per week for contingencies, and making but a total of $1,200 per annum. All earned above that sum can be saved. I allow nothing for servants' wages or waste, as none should be required by a young couple just starting in life. There need not be more than work sufficient to keep a young woman in healthy exercise. All depends on taste, executive ability, and disposition. No bachelor having an income of $1,800 a year need remain a bachelor for any of the financial reasons alleged in your correspondence. A wife as good as himself, and the comforts of a home, can be had and maintained for much less than $1,800 a year, and money saved. To recapitulate:

Rent	$300	Clothing for wife	$150
Commutation	75	Clothing for self	100
Fuel	50	Washing	35
Provisions	400	Contingencies	90
Total			$1,300

I repeat, the above is based on experience—no speculation about it. The figures could be reduced without sacrificing comfort, as, for instance, a house, or a part of a house, could be hired for, say $200 a year, and provisions, if wisely purchased, would amount to less than $400. I have been enabled to save twenty-five per cent. by purchasing main supplies at Washington Market. This can be easily and pleasantly done when en route home.

People who have learned by precept and reflection how the thing ought to be, and by experiment how it has been done, have very little patience with the notion that a man and wife of moderate pretensions cannot live respectably and comfortably on $1,800 a year. The fact is, this region is largely populated by young married folks who live on an average income of $1,000 a year, and who are counted among our very respectable people. It can be done, Mr. Editor, if parties are disposed to do it. It is mainly a question of will—not of salary or "previous condition of servitude." H. C. T.

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., Wednesday, Nov. 18, 1874.

DIDACTIC AND ARGUMENTATIVE.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The question now occupying the attention of many persons in your paper is of the very greatest importance to society at large, and for one I thank you for your sensible course and judicious editorials upon the subject. It is only through such means—popular discussion—that great evils are overthrown. Surely there can be no greater evil than disorderly homes and misalliances! The two generally go hand in hand; the greater includes the less; though in this instance both evils are so great it is difficult to say which is the least. The mistake lies in supposing that misalliances affect only the parties immediately in fault; that a neglected house is only a venial sin, or error, whereas its effects are incalculable and widespread. One family living in discord will bring discredit and disgrace on the matrimonial relation, for it makes a by-word of what is an honorable estate, and equally a disorderly house affects not only the husband and wife, but entails an heritage of slovenliness and unthrift on the children they may be so unfortunate as to bring into the world.

As I understand it, aside from the moral and sentimental aspect of the case, marriage is simply a partnership between a man and a woman, each agreeing to perform the several duties belonging to their sphere in life with fidelity and punctuality—in a word, to do those things nature obviously intended them to do. Man is the strongest, therefore he is the bread-winner, and it is his manifest duty to provide for his family. No matter whether his wife shirks her part or not; whether she's young or old, handsome or ill-favored, his duty is clear; he has to provide for her, and the law looks to it that he does his whole duty. If he faints by the wayside and shirks his part, the law plucks him up by the locks again and compels him to go on. This is as it should be, and no man with right feelings complains of it. But a man may rightfully complain when, after he has carried out his part of his contract, his associate shirks hers, on one plea or another, or simply shirks it without pretense of an excuse. She does not like to keep house, and don't want the bother of servants; or she does like to keep house but wants her husband to do her work and his too. She wants him to earn the money, see to its expenditure, keep all the accounts, see that the various supplies are put in from time to time; foresee that the roof leaks and the plaster is coming off; that the children need new shoes, underclothing, hats, and other things appertaining exclusively to her own department; she wants him to order the dinner for the day, and the breakfast also; she wants him to tell her why the bread is sour, to look after her preserves, and see that they don't spoil from want of inspection, to look after the cellar and see that it does not get foul for lack of ventilation. If he fails to see to these things she upbraids him for his neglect, calls him a hard, cruel master, possibly, because he will not take upon him the care of a house and provide for it as well.

In the words of Tweed, what is he going to do about it? Nothing. There is nothing that he can do. Like Samson of old, he is bound hand and foot. He cannot appeal to her sense of right and justice, for such things are nothing to her. She is content with a slovenly, careless way of living, but he is not and does not want his children to grow up under such influences. He cannot say, "I am doing my duty by you and willing to do some of yours also, but not all. Why can't you do yours by me, whether you like it or not, simply because it is a duty?" She will give him no answer except a frown and harsh words, and go on in the old way.

Such a picture as this the average reader will say is overdrawn, but those who are in bondage know better. It is not. It is far from the actual facts which could be gathered in hundreds of families in every city of the country. Men not only keep house but actually keep home; in so far as they can they make up to their little ones the lack of a mother's tenderness, quiet ways, harmonious disposition, and culture in all likely to affect their after lives. Is it a small matter? Is it a little thing socially that such a condition of things should exist? It is a very serious affair. Where the remedy lies is the question every thinker asks himself.

ELIZABETH, N. J. E. P. W.

FAULTS ON BOTH SIDES.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

My first impulse upon reading your satire of "Man Housekeepers" was to reply, but, strange as it may appear to you, my housekeeping duties left me no time to write even the sentence, "I should like to see the man who could do it," which I think would express the feeling of the whole sex. Meanwhile you have published several replies; still, woman-like, I want my say, and I could say a good deal if I had the whole paper to myself. Men have very little idea of the onerous cares and duties of housekeeping wives, and are therefore unreasonable. A merchant has many clerks, each with a set routine of duties; he supervises and directs, "devotes himself to his business," and comes home at night tired, worn out, body and mind, consequently often cross and unjust; he eats his dinner, reads his paper, snubs his wife, goes to sleep, and—snores. The wife has a handsome house, we will suppose; but her corps of subordinates are inefficient, of course; these she must direct, admonish, and oversee, getting little done to her satisfaction, and often sour looks or pert answers in the bargain. She must attend to the wants of her children, (incumbrances which were made no note of by the man housekeeper,) physically, mentally, and morally, her duties varying according to their ages. She must be ready to receive visitors, as her husband's position and his pride require. She must return these calls, and shop for her family, and cater for their tastes, and read the current literature of the day, (THE TIMES, of course,) else she is an "ignoramus," and these are only part of her varied duties, and at night she must welcome the moody husband with a kiss and a fresh toilet, and feel rested and refreshed to see him eat, and hear him snore! Is this just? And when economy and close calculation are required besides, what wonder that the wife becomes nervous and irritable and weary; but she is only "a nervous, silly woman, full of conceits," so it is said of her. I tell you, Mr. Editor, there are faults grave and serious on both sides; a great want of consideration on the part of each. The style of living is not what it was in our grandmothers' time, and it is folly to recall those days for imitation, as "old things have passed away." But let people live more for their own comfort, and less for the opinion of others. Let the men think less of mere money making, and give some thought to the culture and graces of home life, taking interest in their children, and sparing a little time to their families, and wives will take more real comfort and pleasure in their duties. But I cannot spare any more time, nor can you spare room, I suspect, for I have to give out the stores, attend to marketing, shop for my children's Winter garments, do the week's mending, look after a poor woman who needs help, write two letters, help my boy in his composition, hear my girls' lessons, and put my spare noun in order for a gnat. All this before our dinner hour, which is early. Where is the time to "look into closets?" If I should look, should find "a skeleton." Don't you think so?

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To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It seems to me to be eminently proper that I should contribute somewhat to the discussion now being carried on in the columns of THE TIMES. Experience (not altogether sad) has taught me the folly of hanging my fortunes upon the caprice of any one of the daughters of Eve. In order that your readers may know why one of your contributors is a bachelor, it will be necessary to tell a short story. In the year 1862 I entered the Army of the Potomac. Before going I received a promise from a young lady that when the war should be over, or when I returned from it, she would become my wife. It is probably needless to say that the parting was a very sorrowful one for both of us, for the reason that each believed in the other's protestations of love. I am free to say that I have not since met a lady so altogether lovable, and I considered myself very fortunate in having secured her regard and affection. Our correspondence was such as can only pass between lovers, and was uninterrupted until the Winter of 1862-3, when I obtained a short leave of absence, and visited my intended bride. Again our vows were renewed, and again we parted sorrowfully, but lovingly. Letters were freely exchanged, and nothing occurred out of the usual course until the battle of Gettysburg. In the reports of that fight which reached the Northern papers it was stated that I had been killed. Another report was to the effect that I had been wounded so seriously that in order to save my life one of my legs must be amputated. Neither report was true, but my intended believed the latter, and when I was able (for I had been wounded) I wrote her a full account of the fight, as I participated in it, and described to her the extent of my wounds. I received a very comforting answer, in which was contained these words: "Of course you will consider our engagement at an end; for however much I may esteem you as a friend, you cannot expect me to marry a cripple." What could I do, or say? What I did was very much to the point. I wrote as follows: "You may take your friendship to another market. I thought I had your love; since that was a mistake, it would be exceedingly foolish in me to expect aught else." Now it may be said that I judge all the sex by a single one. On the contrary, I do not, for I am acquainted with many very excellent women and model wives; but they are all wives. I am thirty-four years old, and as good a specimen of manhood as the average, but in all my circle of acquaintance (it is large) there is no woman who can command more than my respect and esteem. I frequently am gallant enough to attend places of amusement with ladies; I am often present at social entertainments; I am never rude or boorish in my conduct toward ladies, and am a general favorite among them. Why don't I marry? Love went out of my heart while I lay suffering in the hospital. Faith in woman vanished with my trust in the one I believed true. I still respect women who are worthy of it, and I suspect the designs of a great majority. I do not expect to marry, at least under the present aspect of affairs. Without disrespect, I may say I am fearful of becoming henpecked. T. J.

"UTILE CUM DULCE."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have been very much amused lately in reading the different communications in your valuable paper on the subject of marriage, &c., and if the theme is not yet worn threadbare, I should like to add my mite to the collection. Allow me to commence by stating that I am a young bachelor of some four and twenty summers; am tolerably good looking, of good family, and have a good position in business, commanding a salary of say $3,000 a year; but I have never met the young lady whom I considered worthy to be the partner of my life "for weal or woe." Perhaps I am too particular, for I was born in a quiet old New-England town, where the "girls" were brought up to be "useful" at all times and "ornamental" when necessary, while here I find it to be quite the contrary, with a strong emphasis on the latter word. New-York young ladies, I grant, are pretty, (thanks to the perfection which the science of decorating has now reached,) accomplished, (in those attainments which they learn at a fashionable school, (good talkers on very light subjects,) and last but not least, extravagant, which perhaps is worst of all, for we can make proper allowances for their beauty, we can praise their accomplishments, we can be careful to introduce subjects for conversation, upon which we know they can venture with safety, but we cannot support them. How often, after being at a party, where everything has been life and enjoyment, under the excitement of the music and gas at least, when several of us have lit our cigars and started to walk home, have I heard one of the number exclaim: "I am getting tired of this, for it is all outward show; and how much more one would enjoy themselves if those 'girls' could do anything but dress, flirt, and talk small-talk!" And this, too, from a young man who is popular in society, and who goes out a great deal, seemingly for his own enjoyment, but really because it is either that or nothing. He has no choice; he either has to eschew society altogether or accept it as it is—a sad state of affairs, truly; for all of us require to be thrown into society more or less, and, if it be healthy, the oftener the better. Now, what we require is a better system of education. Combine the useful as well as the ornamental. Fit a girl, however bright her future may be, so that if forced by necessity she can lay aside her ornamental accomplishments and take up her useful ones, prepared to meet the world as it is, at the best a cruel one. Let it be taught them as an early part of their training that this style of living is not what it was in our grandmothers' time, and it is folly to recall those days for imitation, as "old things have passed away." But let people live more for their own comfort, and less for the opinion of others. Let the men think less of mere money making, and give some thought to the culture and graces of home life, taking interest in their children, and sparing a little time to their families, and wives will take more real comfort and pleasure in their duties. But I cannot spare any more time, nor can you spare room, I suspect, for I have to give out the stores, attend to marketing, shop for my children's Winter garments, do the week's mending, look after a poor woman who needs help, write two letters, help my boy in his composition, hear my girls' lessons, and put my spare noun in order for a gnat. All this before our dinner hour, which is early. Where is the time to "look into closets?" If I should look, should find "a skeleton." Don't you think so?

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A STORY WITH A MORAL.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It seems to me to be eminently proper that I should contribute somewhat to the discussion now being carried on in the columns of THE TIMES. Experience (not altogether sad) has taught me the folly of hanging my fortunes upon the caprice of any one of the daughters of Eve. In order that your readers may know why one of your contributors is a bachelor, it will be necessary to tell a short story. In the year 1862 I entered the Army of the Potomac. Before going I received a promise from a young lady that when the war should be over, or when I returned from it, she would become my wife. It is probably needless to say that the parting was a very sorrowful one for both of us, for the reason that each believed in the other's protestations of love. I am free to say that I have not since met a lady so altogether lovable, and I considered myself very fortunate in having secured her regard and affection. Our correspondence was such as can only pass between lovers, and was uninterrupted until the Winter of 1862-3, when I obtained a short leave of absence, and visited my intended bride. Again our vows were renewed, and again we parted sorrowfully, but lovingly. Letters were freely exchanged, and nothing occurred out of the usual course until the battle of Gettysburg. In the reports of that fight which reached the Northern papers it was stated that I had been killed. Another report was to the effect that I had been wounded so seriously that in order to save my life one of my legs must be amputated. Neither report was true, but my intended believed the latter, and when I was able (for I had been wounded) I wrote her a full account of the fight, as I participated in it, and described to her the extent of my wounds. I received a very comforting answer, in which was contained these words: "Of course you will consider our engagement at an end; for however much I may esteem you as a friend, you cannot expect me to marry a cripple." What could I do, or say? What I did was very much to the point. I wrote as follows: "You may take your friendship to another market. I thought I had your love; since that was a mistake, it would be exceedingly foolish in me to expect aught else." Now it may be said that I judge all the sex by a single one. On the contrary, I do not, for I am acquainted with many very excellent women and model wives; but they are all wives. I am thirty-four years old, and as good a specimen of manhood as the average, but in all my circle of acquaintance (it is large) there is no woman who can command more than my respect and esteem. I frequently am gallant enough to attend places of amusement with ladies; I am often present at social entertainments; I am never rude or boorish in my conduct toward ladies, and am a general favorite among them. Why don't I marry? Love went out of my heart while I lay suffering in the hospital. Faith in woman vanished with my trust in the one I believed true. I still respect women who are worthy of it, and I suspect the designs of a great majority. I do not expect to marry, at least under the present aspect of affairs. Without disrespect, I may say I am fearful of becoming henpecked. T. J.

"UTILE CUM DULCE."

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have been very much amused lately in reading the different communications in your valuable paper on the subject of marriage, &c., and if the theme is not yet worn threadbare, I should like to add my mite to the collection. Allow me to commence by stating that I am a young bachelor of some four and twenty summers; am tolerably good looking, of good family, and have a good position in business, commanding a salary of say $3,000 a year; but I have never met the young lady whom I considered worthy to be the partner of my life "for weal or woe." Perhaps I am too particular, for I was born in a quiet old New-England town, where the "girls" were brought up to be "useful" at all times and "ornamental" when necessary, while here I find it to be quite the contrary, with a strong emphasis on the latter word. New-York young ladies, I grant, are pretty, (thanks to the perfection which the science of decorating has now reached,) accomplished, (in those attainments which they learn at a fashionable school, (good talkers on very light subjects,)

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It is hardly necessary to invite our readers to keep a close watch over the proceedings affecting RICHARD CROKER, now in the Tombs awaiting trial for the murder of JOHN MCKENNA. The influences which have already procured a gross disregard of legal forms in the early stages of this case, will be likely to resort to every possible species of trickery and political pressure for the further protection of CROKER. The argument of the question of bail before Judge BARRETT is a fair sample of the kind of legal ingenuity upon which CROKER'S friends rely in this case. The respectable public sentiment of the City is sufficiently aroused over this matter to render impossible any repetition of the sham inquiry before Coroner WOLTMAN. On this point, at least, the *Herald* has correctly gauged public feeling, and the statement about the intense jealousy with which the people regard the Kelly type of interference with the course of justice, is certainly not too strong.

The deaths from diphtheria last week show a slight decrease, being 58, against 65 for the week ending Nov. 14. The only remarkable feature about the death chart of this disease for last week is the great increase of fatal cases on the east side of the City. On the map published in the TIMES of Tuesday last less than one-sixth of all the deaths from diphtheria were shown to have occurred in the Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-first wards. In the Board of Health chart for last week, nearly one-half of the entire number of deaths are distributed pretty equally along the territory on the east side of Fourth avenue, and lying between First and Seventy-first streets. In the long series of blocks bounded by Fifth and Sixth avenues, and lying between Washington square and Central Park, there were but two deaths, and in the corresponding double series, intersected by Madison avenue, and lying between Fourth and Fifth avenues, there were no deaths at all assignable to this cause.

The Eastern States and the British Provinces will in future be supplied with merchandise from New-York and the West without any of the old tedious delays. The completion of the Nashua and Rochester Railroad gives a direct through line via Worcester, in Massachusetts, and Nashua and Rochester, in New-Hampshire, to Portland, in Maine, and thence over the Maine Central and European and North American Roads to the Provinces. The formal opening of the new route will probably occur early in December. The road will be of great commercial advantage to this City in the near future.

Boston is meantime making another active bid for Western trade by vigorously urging the project of a new line to the West, which, it is said, could be completed in six months by building certain connecting links between existing lines. The proposed new route would be via the New-York and New-England Railroad from Boston to Willimantic, Conn., thence to Hartford by the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill, and, extending from Hartford to Poughkeepsie, and there crossing the Hudson, would, by the building of eighteen miles of road, open direct communication with the Pennsylvania and Erie Roads west. The friends of the scheme claim that the route would at once have an enormous business, and they would propose to transport trains across the Hudson on barges until a bridge could be thrown across the stream.

The supposed wonderful powers of the DE MONTFORD woman, the mesmerist, are still the theme of much excited comment in the New-England press and in private circles in Massachusetts, where most of the exhibitions have been given. Miss DE MONTFORD apparently enjoys the confidence of many thousands, who refuse to believe that the more remarkable of the mesmeric feats which she exhibits each evening are performed by collusion with clever "confederates." Several journals have printed accounts of persons who confess to having been compelled by "an irresistible fascination" to follow this singular lady from place to place, and to be completely subject to her will, and some physicians find it difficult to explain the phenomena which have been witnessed at the performances. But there is a large class which seems inclined to believe that the woman is only a clever impostor.

In the German Reichstag, yesterday, Prince BISMARCK was compelled to listen to some critical remarks concerning the Von Arnim affair, and quite a spirited discussion with regard to the frequency of governmental arrests took place. The debate was suggested by a motion, finally rejected, for the release of numerous Democratic Deputies now in prison. BISMARCK was equal to the occasion, and appears to have dismissed the matter very curtly; but it is evident that the subject will come up again when the discussion of judicial reforms in the Empire begins.

EVERY WOMAN HER OWN HOUSEKEEPER.

We hardly know whether to regard our correspondence on the housekeeping question in a serious or a comic light. It certainly presents both aspects. For is it not somewhat absurd and ridiculous that any woman of ordinary sense and ordinary health should be disturbed herself, or disturb anybody else, about such a matter as the keeping of an ordinary house in order, and the management of an ordinary household, with the aid of—let us say—two servants, or even one? There is no mystery about it, and very little art. It is indeed so simple that to any person who has had experience in the business, and opportunities of observation, it seems clear that if a woman really wishes to do this thing, and means to do it, she will say nothing about it, but set herself straightway with heart and soul to the doing of it, and thereupon the thing will be done. But if what she sets before herself is to get herself rid, as much as she can, of the trouble of doing this thing, in order that she may do something else more to her liking, then may she expect to see affairs speedily become very much mingled one with another, and to find herself pursued, day after day and hour after hour, by those most disagreeable and inexorable of suitors to woman, or to man, neglected duties. But what is hard in this matter if neglected, is easy if attended to. That an average house, with an average family, containing, let us say, two, or three, or four children, one of them a baby, cannot be kept in order and in comfort and fed by a housekeeper who has the aid of two servants, and who keeps expenditure within her available means, is a proposition too absurd on its face to be entertained for a moment. We all know that it can be done, for we have, most of us, seen it done, and with ease and even pleasure to the doer; and, indeed, in our correspondence on the subject, this is admitted.

What, then, seems to be the difficulty about a matter which is really so simple? Judging from the pleas of our correspondents, this difficulty resolves itself into, first, interruptions, caused by children, and by what are called social duties, consisting chiefly of the paying and receiving visits; and, second, the incompetence of servants and their unwillingness to submit to superintendence. The first of these objections is altogether wide of the mark and from the purpose. For children and the reasonable enjoyment of the society of friends are to be assumed as matters of course in considering this question. Housekeeping need not interfere with those occupations, nor need they interfere with housekeeping. To be, as we were requested by our first correspondent, particular, the time required for the supervision of an orderly average household is not more than an hour a day; and an intelligent and efficient woman could do it (exceptional occasions apart) in considerably less. The time required for making the necessary purchases for such a household, including those for the table, would not exceed another hour daily. This being the fact, the plea as to children and society falls to the ground. Let it be observed, however, that we spoke of an orderly household. To keep a disorderly house requires a much greater expenditure of time, labor, and patience than to keep an orderly one. And, moreover, we do not say that a disorderly house can be got into order by giving two hours a day to the matter for a week or so; but once in order, and in orderly working, less than that time will keep all things moving smoothly. Nor do we say that the housekeeper may be out of the house upon social duties, or what not, (children apart, for the moment,) during all of the day, except two hours. On the contrary, the system of "Man as a Housekeeper" would require the housekeeper's presence in the house the greater part of the time for five days in every week, although the time might be passed in the care of children, and in receiving visits, reading, needle-work, music, or the other various occupations and pastimes peculiar to women. For a man knows that his presence is required at any business, whether he is always actively employed in it or not. He knows that he must be there to oversee it, to direct it, to give his subordinates the consciousness that they are under his eye, and that they may find him among them, or may be called before him, at any moment.

And this brings us to the consideration of the objection that domestic servants will not nowadays submit to supervision; we say nowadays, for it is admitted that they did so no longer ago than in the time of our mothers. If this be true, it makes directly against those who urge it as a plea in their own behalf. For it shows that between the times of our mothers and now there has been such a gradual and growing neglect of proper personal superintendence on the part of housekeepers that servants have come to regard such superintendence, when it is practiced, as an exception to the rule, as indicative of fussiness, meanness and all manner of unladylikeness. But although this sad condition of things may prevail to a certain degree, it cannot be admitted as a plea in bar. For it can only prevail just so long as the majority of housekeepers choose that it shall prevail. If ladies insisted upon superintending their households, even down to the minutest particulars, their servants would submit. They would have no choice in the matter; they must needs submit or go. And if they could not find places where they could live without superintendence, (which must be the case if housekeepers generally attended to this duty,) why, they must be content with places where they would be under superintendence. Men know that this must be the case; for men themselves thus superintend their own business down to its minutest details, and men who are subordinates, high or low, always expect such supervision, and submit to it as a matter of course. A wise and kindly-natured man never makes it unpleasant to his subordinate; but he none the less exercises it. Now, it is much easier for men to get places than for women, and the plea that household servants would leave the house rather than submit to superintendence is therefore futile.

But the truth seems to be that every woman nowadays whose husband has an income of a few thousands a year wishes to live elegantly, like the Ladies that she reads about in Mrs. TROLLOPE'S novels. She does not wish to be extravagant. Oh, no! And, seriously, she is not generally extravagant in the mere expenditure of money. But she is extravagant in many of her expectations as to the style in which she means to live, and to have her children clothed and educated; and in particular she is extravagant in expecting to live as if (like the ladies before mentioned) she kept a housekeeper. Now, as among the women whose husbands have a few thousands a year, not one in a thousand can keep a housekeeper, the housekeeper's work (not very heavy in their case) remains undone or half done, and half done soon becomes very heavy and wearisome indeed. The exit for these ladies out of all their trouble is the intelligent recognition of the fact that it is their function, not to keep a housekeeper, but to keep a house.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE BROOKLYN FERRIES.

The overcrowding of Brooklyn ferry-boats during the busy hours of the day is undoubtedly a serious evil, but as the public have to some extent the remedy in their own hands, it is one for which nothing short of a serious catastrophe will ever arouse a sentiment strong enough to compel a remedy. There are certain dangers and inconveniences, however, in travel between New-York and Brooklyn which it rests entirely with the ferry companies to remove, and a reform of which cannot be too soon demanded. One of the most obvious of these is the habitual intrusion of intoxicated men of all grades of apparent respectability into the late and early-morning ferry-boats. This evil is assuming proportions which will shortly render travel on the Brooklyn ferries after eleven o'clock at night nearly intolerable to all decent people, and an ordeal of positive terror to ladies. On Saturday night and Sunday morning the evil attains its most formidable proportions; but it is absent from few of the late boats during the rest of the week.

It is beyond question that a ferry company has a perfect right to exclude from its boats any person obviously intoxicated. If it insists upon refusing to exercise a discretion, binding on all common carriers, then it seems to follow that it can be held responsible for the results of the misconduct of drunken passengers. During the hours of daylight and early evening, some of the ferry-boats carry a policemen for the protection of their human freight. During the hours when his services are most required this functionary is withdrawn. The consequence is that drunken roysterers, returning late from New-York, enjoy in crossing the East River a temporary immunity from all legal surveillance. Free fights between tipsy loafers diversify the passages of the Sunday morning boats, and unchecked displays of ruffianism are becoming too common a feature of the midnight hours of other days in the week. We understand that the East River, up to the Brooklyn shore, is technically within the Police jurisdiction of New-York. Its passage ought to be as safe at all hours of the night and day as a walk down Fulton street. As matters are regulated now, a man may be the victim of some drunken assault, or a lady may be insulted by some foul-mouthed loafer, and yet have no redress short of becoming amateur policeman, and getting the assailant conveyed back to New-York on the questionable chance of finding a representative of the law ready to take him into custody on this side. The boatmen will certainly bestow very little aid or sympathy on the injured party—their instructions apparently being to quietly hush up all such episodes, and to place as many obstacles as possible in the way of getting justice. If people are loath to take the trouble of redressing insults received in street cars, it cannot be wondered at that on ferry-boats, where the trouble involved is ten-fold greater, they quietly submit to a good deal of positive injury and inconvenience.

A case will probably come up in Police Justice RILEY'S Court in Brooklyn to-morrow morning, in which this question of drunken assaults on ferry-boats will demand attention. It seems that after leaving New-York the other night a gentleman had to protect himself and a lady who was in his company against injury from the fall of a drunken man who was with difficulty making his way along the floor of the lady's cabin. Becoming partially sobered by exposure to the night air, this person appears to have returned to the cabin and awaited the landing of the boat on the Brooklyn side to deal a sudden and unexpected blow at the gentleman who had been obliged, for his own protection, to help him to the door. With commendable spirit the assailed person procured the arrest of his ruffianly fellow-passenger, and as the assault was committed after the boat had landed in Brooklyn, the question of Police jurisdiction was, fortunately, simpler than if the assault had been committed in mid-stream. Should the circumstances of this case turn out to be as stated by the complainant and several witnesses, a salutary example ought to be made of the drunken brawler whose alleged offense is a type of those occurring almost every day. Justice RILEY will, in dealing with this offender, have a fine opportunity of doing a service to the decent citizens of Brooklyn, and of indirectly benefiting the city, whose interests can hardly fail to suffer from the unchecked growth of ruffianism on the ferry-boats. While he is about it, he might fitly remind the ferry company of the legal risks which it incurs in failing to take due precautions against the occurrence of such accidents.

CHILD-STEALING IN THE WEST.

The banditti of the West and South-west continue to attract no small share of the attention of the decent citizens in those parts of the Union. They distinguish themselves each month by inventing some new method of extorting money. Sometimes they are heard of as the plunderers of a stage coach on a frequented route; at others as the riflers of a railway train; and now and then as the captors and sackers of small villages. They probably do not number more than one hundred men in all, yet they manage to carry on an active campaign against property. Their latest enterprise is addressed to the abduction of children, and the exceeding *sang froid* with which they demand ransoms for the innocents whom they have stolen is simply astonishing. They seem to have been studying the practice of Italian bandits, but, instead of taking a fat priest or a rich politician or manufacturer into their forest retreats, and there holding him until he buys life and liberty with a handsome sum of money, they lay hold upon the hearts and purses of parents at one and the same time by carrying off little children. A few instances of this kind, attended with very provoking circumstances, latterly, have directed the attention of the people of Missouri, with unusual earnestness to the lawlessness which prevails in many sections of their State, and they propose forthwith to take measures which shall result in bringing the offenders to summary justice. It looks, at the present time, as if abduction and murder might henceforth be punished as severely as horse-stealing in Missouri.

No one can determine whether or not it was the fate of the now historic infant Ross which decided the Missouri marauders to enter upon their wild career, but certain it is that on several occasions masked men, mounted on swift horses, have dashed down upon farms in the western portion of the State and have carried away children, much as the hawk, swooping down upon a poultry-yard, bears away chickens in its claws. The investigation relative to these abductions, made by the adventurous reporters from the St. Louis press, was attended with some slight risk, and it was not until after considerable parley with the indignant and bereaved parents that the prying reporters succeeded in getting at the facts. One daring knight of the quill, on the occasion of his visit to a desolate parent in Henry County, was mistaken for an agent of the abductors, and was informed that the aforesaid parent had a wife and a sister, both of whom could "plumb the centre at sixty yards with a rifle, and if any one came around their house without having proper business there he had better have left his measure for a coffin beforehand." This little photograph of the reporter's reception would seem to indicate that neither the fathers nor mothers of Henry County propose to have their offspring snatched from them without making lively attempts at their defense.

But the masked men, who are doubtless members of some organization of outlaws, play their game very well. They recently galloped on to a farm and seized a young girl, who had gone just at dusk to the well to draw a bucket of water. Frightened away by her screams and by the farm hands, who responded promptly to her calls for help, they seem to have hovered about the farm and to have awaited another chance. It came when the child was next day on her way home from school, and they had already bound and gagged her, and were about to carry her away, when a few neighbors passing by, again rendered the attempt futile. The newspapers report two cases, however, in which children were actually carried away, and were only returned to their parents on the payment of a large sum to an agent of the abductors. The men concerned in this hazardous outlawry fill in their time by raids on barns and chicken-roosts, and have rendered the farming population of certain sections of Missouri so suspicious of strangers that when they catch one they feel rather inclined to shoot him, unless he can at once prove himself, by unimpeachable documents, an honest man.

The outlaws who have been guilty of a great variety of crimes in Missouri, Arkansas, the Indian Territory, and along the Texas border, have been largely reduced in numbers during the past few years, and will soon be completely exterminated. But a few dangerous bands still roam up and down the sparsely-settled regions, taxing their brains for fresh schemes by which to extort money from the prosperous farmers. They are always represented as diligent readers of the newspapers, and perhaps the game of abduction which they have begun to play at was suggested by the accounts of the success of that crime in large cities. But their essay in that line marks the era of their final downfall. They will be hunted down, after they have made a few more experiments, and they will have no successors.

INHOSPITABLE ISLANDERS.

This is the time of year when some of the most enterprising of our young sportsmen delight to snatch a day from the too dull work of the store and the counting-room, and repair, in pursuit of game, to the neighboring woods of Long and Staten Islands. They go well provided with food and drink—with the latter, very often, too well provided—and spare nothing in the shape of bird or beast that happens to come within range. The presence of the poor sparrows that have gone out from New-York in small flocks to colonize the groves surrounding the towns and villages has afforded an agreeable opportunity to test the accuracy of aim of some of the most distinguished of these amateur sportsmen. To shoot a sparrow on the wing, they would consider quite enough glory for one season. As a consequence, sparrows have become less numerous, and attention has been turned toward the accomplishment of other feats with the shot-gun. Two or three weeks ago a few of the more advanced sportsmen, finding game scarce, conceived the original idea of firing at each other. The intention, if we understand aright, was merely to improve the aim by firing shot through the lappels of the coats. The originator of the idea was lucky enough to riddle the coat-tail of his best friend, without in the least incommoding the latter.

Under the invigorating influence of what is sometimes called the "sportsman's comforter," otherwise known as a flask of brandy, the remaining members of the party were daring enough to follow the example thus cleverly set them, but the results were not of an equally encouraging character. Indeed, it is said that some of the volunteer targets hopped about in a very lively manner after the first fire. In fact, they were so badly used up that the fun had to be suspended until new recruits could be obtained. While this plan was being tried, other young gentlemen, under similar influences, were engaged in the still more original amusement of making themselves targets for their own guns. This was very successful. several of the targets, as our reporters inform us, having been shattered sufficiently to satisfy them during the rest of their lives. The lookers-on, it appears, were not so well pleased with the last-described novelty as were the originators. They seemed to think that it would be much better sport to turn their fire upon passing trains over the South-side and Long Island railroads. To their minds there was something noble in shooting at an engine on the wing, or in depositing shot in the head of an unsuspecting lady reading at a car window. For days this exciting sport was kept up, but it was not until last Friday afternoon that an effect was produced that could be considered really encouraging. Windows were shattered very frequently, and the engineers often narrowly escaped; but it was only when the train which leaves Babylon at 3:30 o'clock was nearing Freeport that the most brilliant shooting of this particular kind was done. A lady passenger was struck in the forehead, "either with a bullet or a buck-shot," and seriously injured. At the same time other passengers were wounded with pieces of broken glass. Ladies fainted, and there was, it need hardly be said, much confusion. The conductor was a hospitable fellow to strangers, and probably for that reason did not wish to injure the feelings of the sportsmen by stopping the train and remonstrating with them. A male passenger who had the curiosity to look out saw three of the gunning party in the underbrush, doubtless in the act of congratulating each other upon their amazing good luck.

A few days subsequently, in the woods of Staten Island, between Richmond Village and Gifford's Station, another party of young sportsmen put into operation the very latest "novelty" of the season. Having killed all the sparrows, robins, and blue-birds they could find, they thought of beating the thickets for rabbits. They soon grew tired of that. It was then decided to set fire to the underbrush, and bag the rabbits and squirrels as fast as they should be forced to escape. This plan succeeded admirably. Indeed, it was so effective that the sportsmen themselves were compelled to retreat before the flames. They would have had the further pleasure of seeing the village of Richmond consumed, but for the impertinent interference of the villagers, who, in total disregard of the rights of hospitality, gathered in considerable numbers, and extinguished the fire. Now, it is really too bad that young men who keep close at business in the City during the greater part of each year cannot be permitted to enjoy themselves in such a very innocent manner, without being interfered with by a set of inhospitable clod-hoppers. The Staten Islanders might, at least, have followed the worthy example of the Long Islanders, who thus far have not in any way prevented the complete enjoyment of these young gentlemen. When they were making targets of each other they looked on with almost provoking good nature, contenting themselves with supplying lint and bandages for the wounded. They saw their sparrows and other small birds shot with equal good nature, and they did not even grumble when their "accommodation" trains were fired at. Surely the Staten Islanders might very reasonably have been no less obliging.

AN ECCENTRIC KING.

We have all been told many times how eccentric the present King of Bavaria is. He is the *enfant terrible* of European court life. Whenever the royal and imperial majesty of the Continent feels it incumbent upon itself to be especially dignified and reserved in demeanor, young LOUIS will be sure to cut some fantastic caper which sets all the common folk to laughing, and convinces them that royalty is capable of quite as great absurdities as those which disfigure the plebeian order. It is true that LOUIS of BAVARIA has good taste and reasonably fair habits; he is not a morbid debauchee, nor an impertinent youngling, always assuming upstart airs toward the kingly people who are stronger and richer than he. But he is queer and very unworldly. He seems to imagine that his kingdom will take care of itself, and that as he had the luck to be born in the purple his privilege is to amuse himself by the gratification of such whims as pass through his sprightly young head.

King LOUIS' subjects had an idea that he would settle down and become staid and tranquil; that possibly he might turn out a statesman, and even give BISMARCK a point or two. But the more years King LOUIS gets, the less he seems to care for the present century, and all that concerns it. The only thing in which he is really consistent is his profound respect and his firm support of WAGNER and his musical enterprises. Nothing can check the young royal patron's enthusiasm over the operas, which he so much delights in that he is said sometimes to call the singers together at midnight, in his own private theatre, and to sit listening unwearidly to them until dawn. He hates the noise and glare of his capital; he evidently believes in GOETHE'S maxim, "On every height there lies repose," and spends much of his time among the mountains. When he is wanted in the kingdom for some imposing ceremony at which his presence is absolutely necessary, he is sure to be missing, and a week or two of vigorous search may perhaps result in the discovery of the King in some forest, on a mountain top, where, surrounded by musicians and painters, in some rustic villa, he is amusing himself, with his back turned resolutely on the world.

Yet he is far from being averse to richness of display and luxury of costume. He revels in architecture; he is passionately fond of planning vast palaces and parks; of reviving ancient court dresses and formulas, and in every manner separating the court as much from the world as possible. He has recently led his people to complain a little of his extravagance by the announcement of one of the most extraordinary projects that ever entered a young King's head.

It may be remembered that King LOUIS paid a visit to Paris some time since. He went in his usual fashion, pell-mell, without reflection, and did not even ask the gentlemen of his bed-chamber to put him up a change of linen. Away he went, post haste, clad in an English traveling suit and wearing a wide-awake hat with a feather in it. The courtiers did not miss him until they found that all the Parisian journalists had gone mad over the arrival of the "most eccentric" of monarchs, who walked with a stage-stride on the boulevards, and chatted promiscuously in the crowds which he threaded by day and night. Back to Bavaria he presently came, his soul aflame with the project which had prompted his visit to France. He proposes to copy the palaces and parks of Versailles within his own dominions; in a word, although he now has thirty châteaux, some of which are among the finest of European regal dwellings, he has announced his intention of duplicating and reviving, on an island, in one of the largest of the Bavarian lakes, all the magnificence of the times of LOUIS XIV. The island commands a superb view of the Bavarian Alps, culminating at the beautiful and wild series of gorges and passes near Salzburg. His people stand aghast at the mighty expenditure which he is to undertake, particularly since he has just relinquished the idea of completing Felsenburg, a gorgeous series of palaces on which his architects have been at work for several years, and which has already cost many millions of francs. But LOUIS has a fancy that a return to the rich costumes and the splendid *salons* and gardens of LOUIS XIV.'s time would much gratify him and those who surround him, and he has vowed to reproduce Versailles *in toto*, if he lives long enough. We are told that nowadays, in the privacy of his palaces, he and his courtiers wear the costumes of the Grand Monarque; and that when the young King walks abroad, a bevy of pages, dressed in the gala garments of by-gone centuries, precedes him.

Of course, his erratic fancy will suggest improvements in the new Versailles which he is to build, and we may expect a structure which will set critical Europe at once to wondering and laughing. Young LOUIS may perhaps some day regret that he did not expend the money which he has been lavishing on châteaux and parks in securing the prosperity of his subjects, and thus endearing himself to them. He cares little for such reflections. It is idle to tell him that a palace is often a transitory joy, and that even the noblest of LOUIS XIV'S palaces, Marly the Grand, has long ago been leveled to the earth, and the fields have been plowed above its site. But, he neither builds nor lives for the future, but for his royal, fantastic, impetuous, willful self. He means to make his own artificial world; to live in it, and to die in it. The purple curtain shuts out from his vision all common and vulgar things.

ARKANSAS.

REPRESENTATIVE WILSHIRE HAS AN INTERVIEW WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Representative Wilshire, of Arkansas, had an interview to-day with Attorney General Williams, with reference to affairs in that State, and says it was of a satisfactory character. Mr. Wilshire is satisfied that if any action be taken in the matter at all it will be by Congress, and not by the Executive Department. The Attorney General informed him that in his dispatch to Judge Poland, at Little Rock, he did not suggest or indicate that Representative Ward, of the House Special Committee, should remain there, but merely requested Judge Poland to come to Washington on his way home, as he (the Attorney General) desired information relative to Arkansas affairs. Judge Poland, among other things, said to him there was no disturbance or excitement whatever in Arkansas, and that the State was unusually quiet. It is the purpose of Representative Wilshire and Gov. Low to prepare this week and file with the Attorney General a statement refuting the charges and allegations of Smith and those who represent his interests. The general feeling in Washington is opposed to Federal interference.

A DENIAL FROM JOHN G. PRICE—NOTHING HEARD FROM SMITH.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 21.—John G. Price, in a card to-day, denies having sent the dispatches to Senator Dorsey, published in the Eastern papers, with his name attached.

Seven days have now passed since the issuance of Smith's proclamation, and nothing has yet been heard from him.

The resolution to raise a committee to inquire into the election of Senator Dorsey has passed the Senate.

THE REPORTED DISCOVERY OF CHARLIE ROSS IN QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, Nov. 21.—The reported discovery of Charlie Ross was caused by the extraordinary conduct of a woman who arrived here in August last from the States with a little boy, who she said had been found in the streets, but when or where she refused to tell. Her story was altogether unsatisfactory, and, coming to the knowledge of the Police, elicited inquiry, which, coming to the woman's ears, caused her to decamp, leaving the child behind. A photograph of the child was dispatched last night to Allen Pinkerton, a detective. The photograph and description of the child tally in many respects with those furnished by the Philadelphia Police authorities.

PULPIT WAR ON THE "BLACK CROOK" IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—Several of the most eminent divines of this city, including Revs. John Chambers, Charles Wadsworth, and E. K. Magoon, of the Broad Street Baptist Church, it is stated, will to-morrow denounce from the pulpit the play of the 'Black Crook," the performance of which is to be resumed here next week.

THE CASE OF FATHER GERDEMAN—HIS MONETARY AFFAIRS.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—Mr. Heverin, counsel for Father Gerdeman, is now collecting duplicate receipts and accounts of all moneys expended by Father Gerdeman, who has paid out, he says, every cent received by him on deposit. The amount he has paid for the benefit of the church is about $925,000. He says further that the church is indebted to him $2,000, and the whole amount taken with him was less than $3,000, and it belonged to himself and his sister. When he left, all his receipts and vouchers were as the parsonage. These were in the hands of the counsel for the prosecution, and Mr. Heverin declares his client can satisfactorily account for every cent of money put into his hands for the benefit of the church.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

CHIPPEWA INDIANS IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—A delegation of nine Chiefs of the Turtle Mountain band of Chippewa Indians had an extended interview with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to-day, in which they expressed the desire to cede the country now occupied by them, in Dakota, on the border of Manitoba, and go to the White-earth country, on the Missouri River, or elsewhere, provided they are properly recompensed. If this cannot be done, they wish the land which they have from time immemorial occupied, to be defined and marked as theirs. After they had at great length stated their propositions, they begged to be excused from a discussion of the subject at present, on the ground that they all had bad colds in their heads, and couldn't talk to-day. So another interview was arranged for Monday.

ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS AND JUDGE POLAND CALL UPON THE PRESIDENT.

Among the callers on the President to-day were Alexander H. Stephens, of Georgia, and Judge Poland. The interviews of these gentlemen were brief, and mainly with a view of paying their respects. Judge Poland conversed with the President upon Arkansas matters, but not with the intention of presenting a basis for any action by the Government, as that will only be officially done, as heretofore stated, by the report to be presented to Congress by the Committee of Investigation, of which Judge Poland is Chairman. Mr. Stephens was seemingly in good health, and was congratulated by the President upon that fact.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS IN THE ARMY.

The Attorney General has decided that a person whose connection with the army as a commissioned officer has been severed by resignation or legal dismissal, cannot be legally returned to his former rank, or commissioned by reappointment to fill a vacancy in a regiment or corps of the army, when by such reappointment he will become superior in rank and position to another officer who holds a commission in the same regiment prior to such appointment.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

The shipments of United States notes and fractional currency for the week ending Nov. 21 were $2,608,051. The receipts of fractional currency were $560,000. Treasurer Spinner holds as security for national bank circulation, at this date, $385,347,750, and for public deposits, $16,487,206. National bank notes received for redemption during the week, $2,424,319.

Internal revenue receipts to-day were $343,639; for the month, $6,310,432; for the fiscal year to date, $41,992,930.

National bank notes outstanding at this date, $357,831,603.

APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE OFFICERS.

The following appointments of Gaugers of Internal Revenue were made to-day: James A. Gault, Thirtieth District of New-York; Thomas R. Foster, First, New-York; Stephen B. Cooper, Fourth, New-Jersey.

TREASURY BALANCES.

The following were the balances in the Treasury at the close of business to-day: Currency, $15,402,821; special deposits of legal tenders for the redemption of certificates of deposit, $55,570,000; coin, $22,367,335, including coin certificates, $22,838,000; outstanding legal tenders, $382,000,000.

VESSELS TO HAIL FROM THE PORT AT WHICH THEIR PAPERS ARE GRANTED.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided that the existing law requires vessels documented in this country to hail from the port at which their marine papers are granted by the Collector of Customs.

NAVAL NOTES.

The Navy Department has dispatches from Rear Admiral Leroy, dated Rio de Janeiro 21st ult. The Lancaster was then at that place, and the Wasp at La Plata. Commodore Fairfax and Lieut. Commander F. R. Smith arrived out Oct. 19. The Monongahela sailed from Rio Oct. 22 for the Crozet and Kerguelan Islands. Admiral Leroy expected to sail in a few days for La Plata.

DR. TIFFANY'S LECTURE ON THE LIFE AND CHARACTER OF WASHINGTON.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 21.—Rev. Dr. O. H. Tiffany, of the Metropolitan M. E. Church, of Washington, delivered a lecture at the Masonic Temple, in this city, to-night, for the benefit of the Washington Monument fund. President Grant, Secretary Fish, Secretary Belknap, Secretary Delano, Attorney General Williams, and General Babcock were present. They were escorted to seats on the stage by a committee of prominent citizens, including Mayor Van Sant, Hon. Reverdy Johnson, Collector Booth, and others. Letters from Gen. Sherman and Admiral Porter, expressing regret at their inability to be present, were read. After a eulogistic review of the life and character of Washington, Dr. Tiffany made an eloquent appeal for contributions of the fund in order to insure an early completion to the unfinished monument at Washington. The oration was listened to with close attention and was frequently applauded. The Marine Band from Washington discoursed excellent music. The Presidential party returned to the national capital to-night.

WHAT THE MAYOR OF BOSTON DID.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 21.—The Postmaster General called upon Mayor Cobb to-day. The Mayor took occasion to impress upon him the importance of the United States purchasing an additional site for the new Post Office, and the obligations the General Government were under to the city in this entire matter.

THE ELECTION OF SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD DECLARED VOID.

TORONTO, Nov. 21.—In the trial of Sir John A. Macdonald's election case, the Judge declared the election void, but said personal bribery was not proven. Sir John A. Macdonald is not disqualified, and is again eligible for election. He is to pay all the costs of the trial.

A COMPLIMENT TO POSTMASTER JAMES.

There were 969 letters sent from the New-York City Post Office to the Dead Letter Office at Washington during the week ending Nov. 21. Of this number there were 592 domestic and 210 foreign letters held for postage, 178 unclaimed hotel letters, and 9 blank, or with no address. The sum of $56,900 was realized during the week by the sale of postage stamps. This is considered a good week's business by the Postmaster. At the recent General Convention of the Episcopal Church in this City, held at St. John's Church, Postmaster James established a branch office at the church, and the members of the convention were there supplied with their letters and saved the trouble and inconvenience of going to the General and Station Post Offices. The following letter, in acknowledgment of the courtesy, has been received by Postmaster James:

GRACE CHURCH RECTORY, Nov. 19, 1874.

MY DEAR SIR: I have great pleasure in communicating the following resolution, adopted by the House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church at its recent session in this City:

On motion of the Bishop of Pittsburg it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Postmaster of the City of New-York for his courteous provision of postal facilities for the House of Bishops during the General Convention.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

I am, dear sir, very faithfully yours,

H. C. POTTER,
Secretary of American House of Bishops.

OBSEQUIES OF THE LATE JOSEPH STUART.

The funeral of Mr. Joseph Stuart, the eminent banker, took place yesterday morning from his late residence, No. 11 East Thirty-sixth street. Rev. Dr. Thomson read the prayers of the Presbyterian burial service, and delivered a long address eulogistic of the deceased gentleman. Rev. Dr. John Hall read the closing prayer, and pronounced the benediction, after which the remains, inclosed in a richly-mounted casket, were conveyed to Green Wood Cemetery for interment. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Norman White, P. E. Calhoun, William Lottimer, Joh B. Earl, William Eagle, David Morrison, Eugene Kelly, William James Quinlan, James Drunmond, William S. Eakin, Peter Donald, Thomas P. Eldridge. Among those present at the ceremonies were: Hon. George H. Stuart, of Philadelphia, and James Stuart, brothers of the deceased; A. T. Stewart, L. P. Morton, George Bliss, William Lee, Mr. William H. Webb, Mr. John Elliott, William Watson, Mr. F. T. Walker, Mr. G. W. Burnham, Mr. John D. Jones, Mr. John A. Stuart, Rev. Dr. Ormiston, Mr. Allan Hay, Mr. William Scott, Andrew Stuart, and Robert Johnston.

RECORD OF AMUSEMENTS.

MUSICAL.

THE ITALIAN OPERA.

With the present week, the performances of Mr. Strakosch's company at the Academy of Music are to terminate. It was intended that the season should extend over four additional representations, but the inducements to at once visit Philadelphia were so great that the promise of New-York was considered small by comparison, and a determination to sacrifice the Metropolis was promptly arrived at. Without commenting at length upon a subject of which it is unpleasant enough to have to recognise the existence, we may briefly express the opinion that if the New-York public does not speedily show a stronger desire to encourage first-rate entertainments in general, and musical performances of the best kind in particular, it will soon have to forego both. Managers are realizing that short series of representations in the large cities of the East and West are infinitely more profitable than attempts to gratify the capricious tastes of the cosmopolitan audiences of this City, who are as thankless for the efforts of an honest and ambitious manager to please and edify them as less pretentious theatre-goers elsewhere are grateful for them. When we have to go to Boston or Philadelphia for opera we shall perhaps awake to the fact that a mistake has been made. There is no doubt, in our judgment, that a long spell of experience of this sort is approaching. Before departing, let us add, Mr. Strakosch's company sing five times more. This evening, at the Grand Opera-house, Mlle. Ilma di Murska, Miss De Gebele, and Signori Benfratelli and Del Puente will appear in "Il Trovatore." To-morrow, at the Academy of Music, "Ernani" is to be performed. Wednesday and Friday "Lohengrin," with Mlle. Albani as *Elsa*, will be produced. And there is to be a farewell matinée Saturday.

THOMAS' SYMPHONY CONCERT.

The second of Mr. Thomas' present series of symphony concerts may be attended Saturday evening next, and one of those delightful *après midi* rehearsals, which are just as attractive and satisfactory as the entertainments proper, will invite attention Friday. We subjoin the programme for the two affairs. It runs thus:

Suite, in B minor.....Beethoven
Trio, "Tremate, empy, tremate," Op. 116.....Beethoven
Miss Clementine Lassar, Mr. Charles Fritsch, and Mr. Franz Remmertz.
Symphony, No. 1, in B, Op. 38.....Schumann
Concerto, for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 185, (new).Raff.
Mr. S. B. Mills.
Symphonic Poem, "Die Ideale," (nach Schiller)....Liszt.

TESTIMONIAL TO MR. MILLS.

Mr. S. B. Mills, who recently met with an accident, from the effects of which he has scarcely now recovered, will profit by a testimonial concert, to be tendered him at Steinway Hall, to-morrow evening. Mr. Mills has hosts of friends and admirers, and, besides, the attractions of the proposed entertainment being so numerous as to appeal with unwonted force to the public, the success of the affair seems to us placed beyond doubt. We append the programme, which is arranged as follows:

PART I.

Trio, E flat, Op. 70.....Beethoven
Dr. L. Damrosch, Mr. Bergner, and Mr. S. B. Mills.
Grand Fantasie, "Alexis".....Hartman
Mr. A. Arbuckle.
Bolero, "I Vespri Siciliani".....Verdi
Mlle. Donadio.
a. Berceuse, }
b. Etude. No. 2. Op. 25, } .....Chopin
c. Tarantelle, }
Mr. S. B. Mills.
Romanza, "Non è ver".....Mattei
Signor Tagliapietra.

PART II.

Duo, "Il Barbiere".....Rossini
Mlle. Donadio and Signor Tagliapietra.
" Rhapsodie Hongroise," No. 10.....Liszt
Mr. S. B. Mills.
Romanza, "Eri tu," "Ballo in Maschera,".....Verdi
Signor Tagliapietra.
Ave Maria.....Schubert
Mr. A. Arbuckle.
Aria e Rondo, "Sonnambula".....Bellini
Mlle. Donadio
Duo for two pianos, "Rondo Brillant".....Chopin
Messrs. W. F. Mills and S. B. Mills.

ENGLISH OPERA BOUFFE.

We have only to mention in connection with the Lyceum Theatre, that the performances of "La Fille de Madame Angot" at this house have made a great impression, and that the house has been crowded nightly. A more significant item than that pondering the overflowing condition of the auditorium could scarcely be given, for dull and unsatisfactory representations do not habitually lead to such results. Miss Emily Soldene and her jolly associates will appear in "La Fille de Madame Angot" until further notice. A special Thanksgiving matinée is promised at the Lyceum for Thursday.

DRAMATIC.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.

"The Heart of Midlothian" was represented at the Fifth Avenue Theatre last evening. It was cleverly acted and neatly set, but it cannot be denied that Mr. Daly's stage is rather cramped for a play having many of the exigencies of a spectacle. The piece does not exact a detailed review. It is a condensation by Mr. Boucicault of Scott's romance, and it has been performed over and over again in this City, though not, we believe, for twelve or fourteen years. We doubt if it could renew its early runs at present. The hand of a skilled playwright is still discernible in the work, but the audience of the period has grown a little weary of old-time stories, and the ancient method of changing the scene every five minutes is sadly out of fashion. Yet there are good things in "The Heart of Midlothian." Most interesting of all is the picure of the trial, which reproduces with much impressiveness the well-known historic painting; then there is a charming passage between *Queen Caroline*, of England, and *Jeannie Deans*; and, finally, there is a most effective tableau to end the drama, which illustrates the storming of the Tolbooth. This last-named incident was less striking yesterday than it will be hereafter; but, with this one exception, the performance was smooth and telling. Miss Nina Varian did herself infinite credit by a surprisingly touching portrayal of *Effie Deans*, and Mrs. Louise Alich acted *Jeannie* with earnestness and care. Miss Fanny Davenport failed utterly to catch the weird spirit of *Madge Wildfire*, but Mrs. Gilbert presented a natural and forcible sketch of *Meg*. We did not think Miss Rigl's personation of *Queen Caroline* remarkable in point of grandeur, but it was asking, perhaps, too much of a pretty Germano-American *ingénue* to don the robes of royalty, if only for a few minutes. All the male characters in the drama were in competent hands. Mr. Fisher, as *David Deans*, was suitably simple and pathetic; Mr. James Lewis was brittle and animated as the *Laird of Dumbiedykes*; Mr. Louis James contributed an amusing view of *Mr. Fairbrother*, the counsel for the defense; Mr. George Hardenberg mingled, in *Ratcliffe*, severity and gentleness in exactly the right proportions, and Mr. Parkes, as the *Duke of Argyle*, might have stepped out of a fashion magazine of the age. A large and fashionable audience was assembled to witness the revival.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

Mr. Boucicault's admirable Irish drama, of course, holds the stage at Wallack's, and at this time it would be necessarily rather hazardous to fix on the probable date of its withdrawal. It is, just now, the most successful play presented in any theatre in the City. This is only as it should be. As it possesses more incidents, dramatic force, and wit than are usually found in half a dozen of plays, there is every reason why such an accumulation of merits should attract universal attention. With so admirable a company and so fine a play, it is not likely that we shall hear of any change of programme at Wallack's for some time to come.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.

To-morrow night Mr. Jefferson enters on the last week of his engagement. He will be succeeded by Mr. John S. Clarke, who will perform in two of his best parts, *Major Wellington De Boots* and *Timothy Toodles*. Mr. Clarke's engagement extends over two weeks. Paul Feval's new piece is at present in preparation. The scenic artists are actively at work, and the intention of the management to present the piece effectively will probably be indicated by the fact that Mr. Matt Morgan's services have been secured. During his engagement Mr. Clarke will play in a new piece called "Red Tape," which has proved a great success in London.

MRS. ROUSBY'S REPRESENTATIONS.

Mrs. Rousby, a young and beautiful English artist, who has been before the public five or six years, is to sail for the United States next week, and will make her debut in the city January 4. Mrs. Rousby has won an enviable celebrity by the impersonation of historical characters in plays occupying a *juste milieu* between tragedy and melodrama. She comes hither, not in the decline of her popularity, but while her gifts and talent are at their freshest; a recognition of these facts can but enhance the cordiality of the welcome a stranger is sure to receive at the hands of the American public.

BARNUM'S HIPPODROME.

The enterprising Mr. Barnum having, it may be presumed, exhausted the wonders of the western world, is about to give us some Oriental festivities. He is probably a believer in the utterance that fifty years of Europe are better than a cycle of Cathay, but at the same time, whether it be for his satisfaction or for ours, he would take us for a turn to the Orient. He has, therefore, organised a grand Oriental pageant, which has its mythical location in Pekin, and which is to be distinguished by all the coloring of the gorgeous East. The new entertainment will be inaugurated to-morrow evening, and will figure as the grand opening of the Winter season.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

The favorite house at Union square still presents "Jane Eyre," which does not appear to have lost anything of its popularity. No change of programme is announced, but, according to the arrangements of the management, the production of "The Two Orphans" comes next in order....The Park Theatre still holds to its famous attraction, "The Gilded Age," with Mr. Raymond as the hero, *Col. Sellers*....Mr. Augustin Daly's play, "Round the Clock," is announced at Wood's Museum. The characters will be distributed among an efficient company....Niblo's adheres to its usual attractive programme....Miss Charlotte Stanley is announced at the Bowery. She plays in the sensational drama "Crime." The performance concludes with "The Mysteries of Paris."....The Olympic offers an excellent variety programme. Mr. Sol Smith Russell is among the performers, and there is quite an array of "star" artists. An extra matinée is announced for Thanksgiving Day....The Metropolitan also offers an elaborate variety programme. "Lola," who is announced as the Queen of Gymnasts, is among the performers....The San Francisco Minstrels have a change of programme, and the pleasant house which Mr. Bryant manages offers its usual attractions....The entertainment at Robinson Hall is continued. Matinées are announced for Tuesday, Friday, and Thanksgiving Day.

POLICE RAIDS.

CONCERT SALOONS BROKEN UP—ARREST OF THE OC UPANIS.

The lower classes of this City were thrown into a state of excitement and terror last night, by the inauguration of a series of raids by the Police upon low dance-houses, gambling-houses, and resorts for vile and disreputable characters throughout the City. The raids doubtless eventuated from the recent wholesale transfer of Captains, and from the positive statement made by the Police Commissioners that no Captain's position would be safe unless he took measures to either rid his precinct of disreputable traffic, or kept the shameful and illegal business within bounds, so as not to interfere with and disgust respectable people in whose neighborhood houses of prostitution, and other vile establishments had crowded themselves. In some precincts, under the tolerant rule of certain Captains, vile establishments flourished with unparalleled boldness and audacity, and street-walkers thronged the public thoroughfares to such an extent as to render it positively unsafe for a respectable lady to be out after nightfall even when under proper escort. Low dance-houses, the resort of the vilest and most disreputable of both sexes and all nationalities; in which the nightly orgies were of the most shocking and immoral nature, were allowed to flourish without molestation, and it was plainly hinted that these establishments, their proprietors, and inmates were under the direct protection of the Police. It was to remedy this crying evil and break up this system of levying tribute upon those engaged in illegal businesses that the entire corps of precinct Captains was changed, and the Captains were informed that they would be held to a strict personal accountability for the reforms to be effected.

The herculean task of breaking up the low concert-saloons and houses of prostitution was commenced during the past week by Capt. Wilhams, of the Fourth Precinct, who paid his respects to the low concert saloons in Chatham street and North William street. Capt. Ulman, who had been sent to the Tenth Precinct, followed suit by raiding on the low dens of prostitution, known as "Lover's Row," in Chrystie street, and Capt. McDonnell "pulled" a number of the most disreputable houses in Greene and Wooster streets.

Last night raids were made in a number of precincts throughout the City. Capt. McDonnell, Eighth Precinct, at about 9 o'clock last evening, dispatched squads of men in plain clothes to the policy shop of George Van Voorst, alias George Harris, at No. 157 Thompson street, and the negro gambling-house of William Parsons, otherwise known as "Buffalo Bill." The proprietors of both these establishments are white, but their patrons are mostly colored. The proprietor of the policy shop was arrested, and all his implements and books were seized. A number of negroes who were found in the shop were driven out, but were not otherwise molested. At the gaming-house of "Buffalo Bill," thirty-seven persons, negroes and whites, were found sweltering in two small rooms in the basement, playing *rouge et noir*, throwing dice, and other games of chance. The air in the rooms was positively stifling. The appearance of the Police caused a stampede. A rush was made for the door, but a short and sharp conflict with the Police baton soon procured quiet, and all found in the place surrendered at discretion. The prisoners were marched off in squads to the Prince Street Police Station-house, and were locked up. The officers, in plain clothes, were then sent out for the purpose of clearing the streets west of Broadway of the crowds of street-walkers with which they are nightly infested. About twenty of these unfortunate women were arrested and taken to the station-house, and they were locked up. The news of the raid spread with such rapidity among these women that, when the officers sallied out a second time, the streets were almost cleared, and but very few women were captured on the second raid. The keepers of the vile establishments along Greene, Mercer and Wooster streets, becoming alarmed for their safety, closed their places and put out the lights, and their example was followed by the proprietors of the "faro" games on Broadway and in Bleecker street.

Capt. Van Dusen, of the Fifteenth Precinct, organized a raid on the street-walkers who nightly promenade along Broadway from Bleecker to Fourteenth street, and who particularly infest the neighborhood of the Grand Central and New-York Hotels and Wallack's Theatre. The result of the raid was the capture of fourteen bold, gayly-attired women, who were compelled to spend the night at the Mercer Street Police-station. No attempt was made to interfere with the "faro" banks on Broadway.

Acting under special instructions, Capt. Kennedy of the Ninth Precinct, arrested the proprietors of two houses of assignation in Grove street, and ordered ten others to be closed. These houses of assignation established themselves in most respectable neighborhoods to the great disgust of the decent people. A police officer has been stationed in front of each of these establishments, and every effort will be made to break them up.

Capt. Lowery, who has recently taken command of the Sixth Precinct, last night made raids on three notorious dance-houses. Simultaneously three squads of Police, under Capt. Lowery and Sergts. Evan, Douglas, and Loonie, visited the dance-houses Nos. 37 and 41 Mulberry street and No. 14 Baxter street, kept, respectively, by Michael Maun, Raffaele Debonse, and Louis Rettenetti, and arrested the proprietors and 115 men and women who were found in these places. The prisoners consist of Chinese, Italians, Germans, and Irish, with a fair sprinkling of Americans of Irish parentage. Among those arrested were seventeen girls, and the rest were men and boys. When surprised by the Police these people were engaged in singing, dancing, and drinking, indulging in their usual Saturday night orgie. Among those arrested are some of the most desperate ruffians who infest the Sixth Ward in the neighborhood of what was formerly known as the Five Points. In the Italian dance-houses a number of murderous-looking knives and files sharpened to a fine point were found on the floor, where they had been abandoned by their owners, when the Police made their appearance. The cells and lodging-rooms at the Franklin Street Police Station were filled with the prisoners, who made night hideous with their ribald songs and blasphemous shouts. Twenty-seven street-walkers were also arrested in this precinct.

In the Twenty-ninth Precinct Capt. Steers made a raid on the disreputable females who after nightfall throng the streets in that precinct, and a number were locked up at the station-house. The negro gambling-house, No. 158 West Thirtieth street, kept by Harry Watson, was also raided on by the Police, and the proprietor and nine persons were arrested and detained at the station-house.

Capt. Ulman, of the Tenth Precinct, made a raid on the disorderly house No. 149 East Houston street, and arrested sixteen males and two females. A number of loose women who haunt the Bowery were also locked up.

THE BEECHER SCANDAL.

THE DEFENSE READY FOR TRIAL.

MR. BEECHER'S COUNSEL DENY THAT THEY ARE FIGHTING FOR DELAY—AN OLD LETTER WRITTEN BY THE PASTOR OF PLYMOUTH CHURCH.

The statement made by Ex-Judge Fullerton and published in yesterday's TIMES, to the effect that the tactics thus far pursued by Mr. Beecher's counsel, in the suit of Tilton against Beecher, gave good reason for believing that the defense sought to delay the trial of the case, caused a great deal of excitement among the friends of the Pastor of Plymouth Church. The following extract from an interview printed by the Brooklyn *Eagle* of yesterday, gives Mr. Beecher's side of the case:

Mr. T. G. Shearman, one of Mr. Beecher's counsel, was called on at his residence this morning (Saturday) by an *Eagle* reporter and questioned in regard to the statement in THE NEW-YORK TIMES, said to have been made by Ex-Judge Fullerton. A copy of THE TIMES was handed to him, his attention being specially challenged to the remarks transcribed above from that paper's alleged interview with Judge Fullerton.

Mr. Shearman expressed an unwillingness to believe that Judge Fullerton made such a statement, because he was a gentleman, on friendly relations with him, and must have known that such a statement was inconsistent with the facts and position of plaintiff's counsel in regard to the alleged delay,

Some persons seemed to think that in proportion to his integrity and innocence, Mr. Beecher's legal means of protection should be diminished. Now his counsel did not propose to disregard the legal protection to which their client was entitled, altough they had no desire to delay the trial of the main issue for a single day. Mr. Shearman explained the formula of law which would govern the proceedings of the appeal from the decisions of the City Court. To be brief: Firstly, the counsel for the defense taking the appeal would have to procure a copy of the order and opinions of the lower court, and, in the second place, to make an application to the Court of Appeals to have the appeal noticed on the calendar of that court, and set down for argument on a certain Tuesday, it being within the discretion of the court to grant the application, which amounts to a special order, for the calendar for this term is already made up. To set down the appeal for any Tuesday a notice should be given to the counsel of the plaintiff.

An application on the part of the defense cannot be made next Tuesday, because they will not be in possession of copies of the order and decisions of the lower courts, and will not be ready with their points on the appeal. On the Tuesday after, however, they may be ready to apply for an order to put the appeal on the calendar, and if the counsel on the opposite side waive the usual notice in such cases, matters will be considerably expedited. And on this very point of the counsel for the plaintiff having it in their power to facilitate the hearing of the appeal, and bring the main issues to an early trial, Mr. Sherman was very emphatic. He said it was within the power of these gentlemen to make an application to the Court of Appeals on next Tuesday, and they might have the hearing set down for the Tuesday fo lowing. He did not think the counsel for Mr. Beecher would object. He reasserted that there was no intention on the part of Mr. Beecher's lawyers to delay trial; all they wanted was a fair trial for him. They claimed in his case the same protection which was guaranteed by the law to every defendant, and all views to the contrary were erroneous.

Another of Mr. Beecher's counsel, Gen. F. B. Tracy, said yesterday that there was no intention or desire on the part of the defense to delay the trial, and that "Mr. Beecher will be ready to go to trial when the case is next called."

In connection with the Beecher-Tilton controversy, the following letter, written by Mr. Beecher over twenty-eight years ago, will be found of interest. It was written to Mr. W. L. Cotter, and yesterday first given for publication. Mr. Beecher was at that time settled as a minister in Indianapolis. The members of the Church of the Pilgrims in Brooklyn, were debating whether they should call him to preside over them as Pastor, or Rev. Dr. Storrs, their present Pastor, then residing at Brookline, Mass. A majority voted in favor of Dr. Storrs, and soon after Plymouth Church was formed by members who left the Church of the Pilgrims. Mr. Beecher's letter, given below, is in answer to one written by Mr. Cotter, suggesting to Mr. Beecher to come to New-York.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 15, 1846.

DEAR SIR: Your letter has just come to hand, and thanks for it. I am glad to be "talked" for, for your sake, for his, and for mine. Touching the question of our former conversations, this is my position: My pride tells me that if the only question of life were personal advantage, he is on the right road who is developing truth within himself, and the road to truth lies in one's own self, and not in the place where he lives. But my conscience tells me, and I thank God, my whole heart goes with my conscience, that the grand question in human life is the work of benevolence. Nothing good or useful is that God does on this. I am sure that the shortest road to one's own happiness is by making others happy. Now, in this work, the labor of usefulness, if there be one thing which, above all others, I especially abhor, it is this cant: talk about "taking care of one's influence"—going where one can use his influence to best advantage;" refraining from this or that for fear "of ignoring influence," and all such like trash. A man's influence is simply the shadow which usefulness casts. Let him look out that he is doing enough, and doing the right things, and then he may spare all time usually employed in looking after his shadow, lest it should give him the slip. As to where a man shall live and labor I have no plan; no theory except this: That God has a very sufficient ability to make himself understood when he wants a man. A man should work just where he is, until he is clearly called somewhere else. This keeping one's ear open to hear if God is not calling—this looking out every little while to see if one is not wished for somewhere else, is rather of the nature of trifling. A minister, like a maiden, ought not to make the first overtures, nor to be over-eager to have them made to him.

Now I set forth this long preamble because it has occurred to me that my situation and my conversations with you were a little queer, and that it was worth while to state explicitly where I stand.

Whenever it clearly seems to me that God has work for me to perform, I shall, I hope, perform it, wherever it lies, and whatever the work may be. Moreover, when God has work for me in another sphere, I do not doubt that He will make it so plainly His voice that calls me that I shall be in more doubt about it than Abraham was, when called to leave his native land; or when called to offer up his son. I have no plan for staying here; or for going to the West; or for going to the East. I leave it entirely with Him who called me to the ministry, where I shall live, where and when I shall die—and in all fields actual contemplated I do desire above every other thing to have a heart prepared to receive that welcome call, from one or from many, who has need of the powers of the world to come, to go up and labor in a higher field—with ennobled faculties and results, every one of which shall be both perfect and illustrious.

I believe that Christ will surely lead you wisely, if you will be led, and that he will point out to you what enterprises it will be wise for you to undertake, and to what one of all his multitudinous servants you should apply for help. And should I never labor in such service with you or near you, in New York, what then? I feel in that respect as if we were like the two portions of our army before Monterey. What matters it on which side of the city we are, since on either side we are bravely pushing our arms toward a common centre, and when we meet it will assuredly be in the hour of victory.

But if ever I come to you, or go to any other place, although I have no plan as to situations, I have, I hope, an immovable plan in respect to the objects which I shall pursue. So help me God, I do not mean to be a party man, nor to head or follow any partisan effort. I desire to aid in a development of truth and in the production of goodness by it. I do not care in whose hands truth may be found, or in what communion; I will thankfully take it of any. Nor do I feel bound in any sort to look upon untruth or mistake with favor, because it lies within the sphere of any church to which I may be attacned.

I do not have that mawkish charity which seems to arise from regarding all tenets as pretty much alike—the charity, in fact, of indifference—but another sort, a hunger for what is true; an exultation in the sight of it, and such an estimate and glory in the truth as it is in Christ, that no distinction of sect or form shall be for one moment worthy to be compared with it. I will overleap anything that stands between me and truth. Whoever loves the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and truth is my brother. He that doeth God's will was, in Christ's judgment, His mother, His sister, His brother, His friend, His disciple.

Your visit has certainly been of collateral advantage to me. Some who did not seem to care whether I had anything to live on or not have been stirred up, at least to attempt to discharge the pledges to me for a support; $600 does not seem to me to be an extravagant salary, but I would gladly take $600 in lieu of it if I could have it paid regularly.

Give my love to Mr. Day and family, if you know them; if not, just take this letter in your hand, go to his store, show him this paragraph: "Mr. Day, allow me to present to you my friend, Mr. Cutler. Mr. Cutler, I am happy in introducing you to an old and valued friend, Mr. Day."

And now, as you are at the fountain of news, why will you not drop me a line, from time to time, and keep me apprised of things in the great world? You hold the pen of a ready writer as well as the tongue of a ready speaker. And though I may have little news to send in return, such as I have will I give unto thee. Truly yours,

H. W. BEECHER.

MAYOR HAVEMEYER AND THE DEPARTMENTS.

Mayor Havemeyer repeated yesterday that he had not notified any of the heads of departments that he would prefer charges against them to Gov. Dix; but notwithstanding this denial it was reported that he was taking steps to have the services of Police Commissioners Disbecker and Duryee dispensed with. The Corporation Counsel had a long interview with the Mayor yesterday morning, and Police Commissioner Voorhees entered his office in the afternoon. The objects of their visits have not transpired. All sorts of reports were circulated in relation to the charges alleged to have been made against Mr. S. Randall Smith. It was said that the Mayor had allowed him until Tuesday next to reply to them, but that Mr. Smith presented an answer which the Mayor deemed satisfactory, thereby ending the proceedings. It was further said that the charges related to the appointment of a referee in one of the City suits.

QUEER STORIES FROM THE PAPERS.

The Sacramento *Union* asserts that a clergyman who passed through that city the other day, en route for San Francisco from the East, was victimized by monte operators to the extent of $450.

Delaware is peculiar at all times. This year she has a full Legislature, thirty men, with not a lawyer among the number. There are farmers and merchants, philosophers and—no, not any fools, we hope—but not a member of the legal profession.

An Elmira paper heads a local paragraph: "Grand Larceny Case—A Young Woman Arrested While Taking a Train." This promised a pretty extensive theft, but examination of the paragraph revealed that she had taken only a dress and a pocket-book containing a little money.

A man sent to jail in Plainfield, N. J., for larceny, thought he would like to write to his wife, and was permitted to do so. This is what he wrote: "*Dear Wife:* If they keep me in the jail, make them keep you in the Poor-house." Unfortunately, that letter was not sent. Her reply would have been interesting reading.

A Bridgeport (Conn.) man, who was chopping wood last week, accidently cut one of his fingers badly, and was so enraged that he deliberately laid his hand on the chopping-block and chopped the finger entirely off. The hand, which, but a few moments before, had been cold and numb, soon began to warm up, and the man began to howl.

A few days ago a cat belonging to Mr. Eugene Loveland, of Wethersfield, Conn., brought home a young woodchuck, nearly full grown. The cat was covered with blood and otherwise showed signs of a severe struggle. This is supposed to be the first case on record where a cat tackled and whipped a woodchuck. Pussy seemed to be proud of her triumph.

A young lady in Wilmington, Del., wooed by a youth, refused to wed until he would abandon the habit of chewing tobacco, and, forsaking the Democracy, become a good and true Republican. The sensible youth complied, and the local paper opines that, happy and thoroughly reformed, he will have cause for thankfulness as long as he lives that he ever was captured and cured by such an angel.

There is said to be a negro boy living in Newport, Va., who will drink kerosene oil by the quantity whenever he can get it. He craves it to such an extent that the family are compelled to hide not only the can which contains it, but even the lamps. He has been known to drink half a pint at a time. It produces a wild intoxication, and makes him act "like a frantic baboon."

Last Monday the neighbors of a very worthy lady in Auburn, Me., were startled by loud cries for help. Proceeding quickly to her premises they found the lady, who is somewhat fleshy, standing bolt upright in a flour barrel, unable to extricate herself. She had stood upon the only head the barrel had, to bang out clothes, when the top suddenly fell in, and down she went. After consultation, she was extracted by cutting off the hoops and thus demolishing the barrel.

The St. Louis *Republican* is convinced that there is no girl like the St. Louis girl. To have "a lovah in Noo-Yawk," it asserts, is the affection of the Chicago female. To receive "visits from a Baltimon gentleman" delights the heart of the Louisville belle. While the Cincinnati maiden receives attention from whatever source it comes. The St. Louis girl, however, confides in the young man who lives in the next square, and contents herself with him and the St. Louis *Republican*.

A Western writer maintains that the supposed remains of ancient forts scattered over the country drained by the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers were not forts at all, but traps or pens into which the various kinds of game then existing were driven by the inhabitants and slaughtered for food. The mastodon and mammoth then inhabited the land, and he supposes that they were lured or driven into these inclosures and then dispatched by the natives, who could assail them from places of safety without.

A liquor-dealer up in Coos County, N. H., ordered a barrel of whisky from Portland, Me., some time ago. The barrel came, was tapped, and its contents freely drank of. By and by a dance was given near by, and such inroads were made upon the barrel that the morning after the dance found it exhausted. That evening the gentleman received a letter from the Portland house from whom he had purchased, saying: "Send back that barrel we sent you last week at our expense, immediately. By mistake we sent you burning fluid instead of whisky."

An old lady who lives in rural Massachusetts, and gets her news second or third hand recently received a call from some friends living still farther in the woods. After the exchange of greetings came the retailing and reviewing of the events that had occurred since their last meeting, each posting the other up for the past year. The elderly lady remarked to her visitor, "I suppose you've heard of the Williamsburg *drouth*." No, she hadn't. "Well, they've had an awful drouth up there—not a drop of water for six months, except a little brought into the town by a milkman named Cheney."

At the installation of Rev. William Carruthers over a church in Calais, Me., the other day, Rev. S. P. Fay, of Bangor, delivered the charge to the people. Among other things he urged them to be considerate of their Pastor, saying that there were many little kindnesses that would comfort and encourage him. He spoke of his own experience, at one time receiving a pumpkin from one of his parishioners, given with such kind words and intention that he felt happier for a week after. The next morning the new-installed Pastor found at his door two squashes, with a note in which was written, "Such as I have I give unto thee. We did not raise pumpkins this year."

An anxious mother in Alleghenv, Penn., lately sent a note to the teacher of her little boy, which read: "Dear Sir: My little boy is looken so bad and he dont complene of bee; sick I am afred the large boys plays so rut with him will you please see that they dont stand him on his hed and dont lit them be ruf with him he cride all nite before last with his hed i cant git him to one than eny of them birts him he wont tell me enay thing they dooe to him will you please lit him play with the little girels as he is so small you can see yourself that his eys look and I am oniuessy about him pleese knoteake and take caer of him he is so young."

Several candidates were once running what became a sort of scrub race for office, in Providence, R. I., and, as it happened, all but one of them belonged to a certain club of most respectable gentlemen. A newspaper editor, not to the one of the candidates who did not belong to this club, charging him, by mistake, doubtless, at first, with membership with it, and styling it a "pot-house club." The reply that he was not a member, and that his competitors were, might be expected to silence the charge. Not a bit of it; it took, although it was not true, and could have been no valid objection if it had been true. It was quite too good to be wasted, and so the campaign went on, and the "pot-house club" man who did not belong to the club was beaten.

It is hard work, suggests the Chicago *Tribune*, to get ahead of a determined Western man on a matter in which principle and pennies are involved together; especially difficult for the railroads to fight the masses. The great bore nowadays is legal fare. Passengers here in the habit of getting aboard trains and paying "legal fare." To prevent this, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad devised a means of forcing passengers to pay full fare. It was to make them show tickets before getting aboard. At Burlington, the other day, a passenger bought a ticket and took his seat. He then passed the ticket out of the window to a friend, who also took his seat, repeating the operation until the car was filled up. When the conductor came round there was but one ticket, and legal fares enough to keep the Supreme Court in continuous session for a century. But the value the Burlington business men set upon time is not revealed to us.

WHAT PETER B. WOULD HAVE DONE.

From the Herald of Yesterday.

John Kelly, the new boss, has shown how much of a boss he really is by his management of the case of Dickie Croker. Dick was John's friend, and of course John was bound to stand by Dick. But John has managed so badly that Dick is in jail, and he will be tried for his life under an uncomfortable pressure of public opinion.

Now, if Peter B. had been boss, how differently all would have been managed! He would have had Dick arrested, and articles in the newspapers about "the majesty of the law knowing neither friend nor foe." Then he would have had him bailed for a hundred thousand dollars or so, or, if bail would not be wise, he would have had him locked up in one of the sumptuous Tombs cells, with relays of the "boys" to keep him company. Then he would have had "a speedy trial," and the jury would have acquitted Dick. There would have been no scandal, no noise, no popular indignation, and the sympathy would have gradually turned toward Dick, as it does to a man in jail.

But Kelly, by making himself Coroner, policeman, detective, magistrate, and general busybody, has led people to fear that there is a job behind it all. And so Dick will have a hard time.

Peter B.'s strong point when a friend tripped was that he would never be sent about the Coroner. It would be well for John to open cable correspondence with Peter B. It will cost money, but we think it would pay.

John should know one thing: that the people regard any interference with justice as the Israelites regarded the touching of the ark in the temple.

A SUSPICIOUS STEAMER IN ANNAPOLIS ROADS.

ANNAPOLIS, Nov. 20.—The steam-tug J. M. Dalton, flying Spanish colors, arrived here to-day. She is manned and officered by Spaniards or Cubans, except the pilot, who is an American. He says she was purchased in New-York a few days since. Other than this nothing is known as to the intent or her visit or destination, as her crew are not talkative on the subject.

THE WEATHER.

SYNOPSIS AND PROBABILITIES.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22—1 A. M.—The barometer has risen in the districts on the Atlantic coast, with generally clear weather, north or west winds, and continued low temperature. The temperature continues below freezing in the lower lake region, with westerly winds and partly cloudy weather. The temperature has risen in the Western Gulf States, and thence northwest to Lake Superior and Minnesota, with areas of rain, southerly winds, and less pressure. The Mississippi River has risen at Helena; the Ohio has risen at Pittsburg; the Monongahela has risen at all station; the Cumberland has fallen at Nashville.

PROBABILITIES.

For New-England, cold and clearing weather, with westerly winds and rising barometer during the day.

For the canal region of New-York the temperature will rise slightly during Sunday and Sunday night.

For the South Atlantic and Middle States, generally clear and cool weather, south or west winds, and rising followed by falling barometer.

CENTRAL PARK METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY.

The following is the report of the Central Park Meteorological Observatory for the week ending 1 P. M. yesterday: Barometer—Mean, 30.114 inches; maximum, Nov. 15, 30.515 inches; minimum, at 2 P. M. Nov. 20, 29.383 inches; range, 1.132 inches. Thermometer—Mean, 42°.; Maximum, at 11 A. M., Nov. 18, 57°; minimum, at 2 P. M., Nov. 15, 30°; range, 27°. Rain on the 17th, 18th, and 20th inst.; total amount of water for the week, .44 inch. The distance traveled by the wind was 869 miles.

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The charm of exquisite poetry depends, as every one knows, upon subtle harmonies of language which can be recognized, though they can hardly be analyzed by the finest critical sense. It might trouble the acutest observer to explain why one special combination of words goes home to our feelings, when another, expressive of the same thought, appears to be the merest commonplace. Who can tell, for example, what is the special felicity which makes Herrick's little song, "Gather ye rosebuds while ye may" unfailingly delightful, while hundreds of other poets have made practically the same remarks about flowers and the shortness of life, and have yet sunk at once into utter oblivion? To say something that has been said thousands of times before, and yet to make the saying impressive, is a triumph of art the secret of which is simply inexplicable and incommunicable. A curious example of the same power exerted in a different direction is to be found in Cowper's verses on the Royal George. We saw them quoted not long ago with the judicious remark that people had generally taken them for poetry because they were written by Cowper—as if Cowper had not written other verses which are as extinct as last year's prize poem. The ingenious critic, however, had observed that there was nothing on the surface of the poetry except a newspaper paragraph done into rhyme. There is hardly a single reflection; we are told in the plainest possible manner that the ship went down because a hard breeze caught the shrouds while she was laid upon her side; and that Admiral Kempenfelt was drowned with eight hundred—or, as it is elsewhere stated, "twice four hundred"—men. Where does the poetry come in? To this question we cannot give a distinct answer; but anybody who can rhyme may discover by a very simple experiment that it does come in somewhere. Let him put into the simplest possible verses any newspaper paragraph that strikes his fancy—the loss of the Birkenhead, for example, in itself a far more poetic incident—and see whether his lines will instantly seize the memory of all who read them. In other poems of Cowper's, in the verses on Mrs. Unwin or on his mother, we can easily account for part of the impression by the depth of the pathos, though the question still remains how the pathos is conveyed so powerfully. But the singular felicity by which, without any apparent assistance, and with even some distinctly prosaic lines, the unadorned narrative becomes so forgetable, is in some sense a still more striking proof of Cowper's wonderful power.

If the harmony on which the effect of a poem depends is so subtle as to escape all powers of analysis, the inverse phenomenon is luckily not quite so conspicuous. A single discord, that is, does not destroy our pleasure as the harmony creates it. After a little familiarity we become comparatively insensible to its existence, and even think it rather profane when anybody insists upon pointing it out. And yet there it is; in many almost perfect poems there is a little slip somewhere, a fault of expression, a defect in the grammar, or, possibly, a want of logic, which slightly irritates us, and makes us wish that we could recall the poet from the dead in order to insert an amendment. To dwell upon such faults may be invidious, and yet it is perhaps worth while to notice the fact as illustrative of the advantages of thorough finish which most of our young poets are too slovenly to care about. When we know some fine passage by heart, we shrink instinctively from the coming jar, as we draw back when we see that a carriage is about to fall over a stone on an otherwise smooth road. The frequency of such little annoyances vates greatly in different poets, and they are sometimes much more abundant in the first-rate than in very moderate performers. In Shakespeare, of course, one might point out any number of them; but Shakespeare has the advantage that we may attribute what we please to corruptions of his text; and, moreover, in a style so weighted with thought and so full of abrupt transitions, it is scarcely possible to notice any trifling discord. It is swallowed up in the general harmony and drowned in the impetuous torrent of thoughts. Among modern poets, Shelley is probably more fertile in such imperfections than any other—a fact which is no doubt owing in great part to the excessively careless printing of his poems; and partly to his being carried away in what he calls the "swift stream of song" until he forgets the humble ties of grammar and logic. Among living poets, Mr. Tennyson's singular refinement almost invariably preserves him from any decided blunder; he is much more apt to err on the side of excessive smoothness than to admit unnecessary discords. Mr. Browning's habit, on the contrary, of riding roughshod over all the minor difficulties of language leads to so many harsh phrases that we are unable to pick out any particular instance to be offensive. We expect to be jolted in every line, and brace ourselves to wrestle with his vigorous thought till we become insensible to minor bruises.

Nothing would be easier, however, than to compile a long catalogue of these trifling annoyances without going beyond poetry of a really high order. Not long ago there was a lively discussion as to Byron's vulgarism in using "lay" for "lie" in the address to the sea. The blot, however, could not be expunged. Various parallel passages were produced from Shelley and from authors of the seventeenth century. In fact, the error belongs to a class which poets have seldom the resolution to avoid, though the instance happened to be specially offensive. The search for rhymes is very fatal to a due regard for the niceties of English grammar. When "sang" would come in conveniently, why should a poet be driven out of his path by the prosaic grammarian who insists that "sung" is the form sanctioned by ordinary practice? Shelley, for example speaks of the tempest

"Riving sail and cord and plank
Till the ship has almost drunk
Death from the o'erbrimming deep;"

and Milton in the Christmas Hymn, cannot resist the temptation of bringing in "sung" instead of "sang" to rhyme to "hung." Why should two words which seem to have been intended by nature to run in couples diverge in such a provoking fashion so as just to miss the desired harmony? Is it too late to force them into the harness and to admit that a poet is "super grammaticam"? The case is so common that perhaps there is something like a precedent for the gentle violence done to such impertinent words. But the case is rather more annoying when the same unfortunate necessity causes a downright vulgarism. Keats, as his readers know, has an unlucky Cockney twang, which intrudes every now and then when he is singing the praises of classical gods and goddesses in the most delicious harmony. But the worst example of this was his Cockney, and surely he might have found some means of getting round that unlucky rhyme in the great Ode:—

"Oh! evil day if I were *sullen*
While earth her horse for is adorning
The sweet May morning.
And the children are *pulling*," &c.

Luckily a critic is not bound to suggest a conjectural emendation; but we would rather have had the rhyme left out altogether than be haunted by the suspicion that Wordsworth talked about "sulling" or "pulin"—whichever alternative may be adopted.

There is another kind of minute slip, rather different in character from this, where the poet seems either to have forgotten his punctuation, or to have attended less to the sound than to the writing. We always admired the fine verse in which Milton describes the appearance to the shepherds of

The helmed cherubim
And sworded seraphim;

but one day it unluckily occurred to us that, if the verse were recited instead of read, there would be nothing to indicate the singular and inappropriately stigmatized as "sordid;" and we must admit that we have ever afterward been sensible of a certain qualm in reading what are in every other respect magnificent verses. Or, again, in Gray's *Elegy*—a poem which may be regarded as an almost perfect example of the power of perfect finish to elevate obvious reflection into true poetry—we can never adjust a certain comma satisfactorily. He says of his peasants:

For from the maddling crowd's ignoble strife
Their sober wishes never strayed far from the
ignoble strife, which is, of course, the opposite of
that Gray intended, and would clearly be less
creditable to the sobriety than to the simplicity of
these excellent countrymen. Another ludicrous instance of the same different kind we are tempted to refer to as otherwise touching poem. When Hood describes "the one more unfortunate" who has apparently drowned herself in the Thames, he invites the dissolute man to think of the sad catastrophe by the river side, and adds:

Then if you can.

It is doubtless very wrong, but we can never read the verse without remembering that the last use a dissolute man would make of the Thames would be to "take in it" or "drink of it," even if nobody had ever been drowned in its waters. If tact were the only privation due to his repentance, it would not be a severe one.

Another variety of grammatical blunder is simple, and consists in simply leaving out some essential clause in a sentence. Shelley is not unfrequently guilty of an error which will even schoolboys when English is a dead language, but the first example which occurs to us is from a charming little poem by Keats. It concludes:

To know the change and feel it,
When there is none to heal it,
Nor numbed sense to steal it—
Was never said in rhyme.

That was never said in rhymes! Of course we could suggest an answer, but we had rather that the poet had told us in plain language. Violent grammatical confusions of a still worse kind are very common, as we may remark, in Pope's elaborately polished verses. They are annoying, though we feel that they are partly pardonable as the result of an effort to compress too much meaning into a specially rigid framework of verse, and not to simple laxity of attention.

Leaving merely grammatical defects, we might notice the more serious vexation caused by the intrusion of downright fragments of prose into the midst of exquisite poetry. Wordsworth is perhaps the greatest offender in this sense, and the fault occurs not only in the longer poems, where he cannot be expected to maintain himself constantly at his usual elevation, but in the undigested fragments which intrude even into his lyrics, and which annoy one, if we may be pardoned for the prosaic comparison, like the hard pellet of shot which one's teeth crunch in the midst of the tender breast of a partridge. We almost shrink from mentioning instances, but we may sufficiently indicate the nature of the case. In the poem on Peele Castle, after telling us how differently he should have conceived the future at an earlier period, he adds:

Such in the fond illusion of my heart,
Such picture would I at that time have made.

The second of these lines strikes us as unnecessary verbiage, a mere repetition of what has been said before, and dragged in to eke out a stanza. Or we might turn to a very different poet and remark what an uncomfortable effect is produced in Campbell's spirited verses on Nelson and the North, when the inspired bard suddenly becomes a lawyer, and inserts a clause in the agreement with the Danes to prevent all possible cavils:

But yield, proud foe, thy fleet
With the crews at England's feet.

As if the Danes would have taken them out if they had not been expressly prevented by the terms of the treaty. But we are perhaps hypercritical, and it is not a pleasant task to hunt out mere lapses into prose, though we feel that we have a kind of right to resent positive offenses. The most irritating of such errors is of course the introduction of a sheer conceit such as disfigures the poetry of Donne or Herbert, or as is commonly exemplified by Milton's unlucky "sun in bed," who "pillows his chin upon an orient wave." It is a comfort to reflect that he left off talking about the sun's chin in his maturer poetry. The offense has become rare, though we should be sorry to say too positively that we are not on the eve of another outburst of the poetry of mere conceits. Modern writers seem to be so eager for some new source of excitement that they may, perhaps, try this device as well as others. Hood is the only late writer of genius who has distinctly yielded to the temptation in some familiar instances. Everybody quotes the end of his familiar lines:

It was a childish ignorance,
But now 'tis little joy,
To know I'm further off from heaven
Than when I was a boy.

To us they appear to be not only too ingenious, but to involve an uncomfortable awkwardness of expression. The poet does not really know that he was farther off from heaven than when he was a boy; for he is just at the same distance; he should have said, to be logical, that he knows himself to be further than he knew when he was a boy. It may, indeed, be replied that we are growing too logical, and that poetry has nothing to do with logic. With all respect for the particular instance, we admit the general principle. Accuracy of thought is desirable in poetry as elsewhere, though we willingly agree that a pedantic regard for syllogistic forms would be most undesirable in genuine poetry. We will conclude our miserable cavilling with one illustration from Clough's *Bothie*—to our taste, though we believe that we differ from most readers, the most beautiful of his poems. Elspie, in a charming passage, says that she feels as though she had been building herself up like a bridge, one stone on another:

All on one side, I mean; and now I see on the other
Just such another fabric, uprising, better and stronger,
Close to me, coming to join me.

And so she continues very gracefully and touchingly; and yet is it possible for the most unmechanical of mankind to read the passage without reflecting that a bridge which is stronger and better on one side than the other is likely to be a very unstable but of workmanship?

SOMETHING ABOUT GROUSE.

CONFUSION OF NAMES—VARIETIES IN THE WEST.

Written for the El Paso Journal by J. B. Barnes.

Of the eleven species of grouse, known by a greater number of common names, only two are general in Illinois, while a third was at one time generously distributed over the north-western counties of this State. Science has reduced the whole number of American grouse to six genera, and the authorities on ornithology have so plainly classified them that no further confusion need occur as to what should be considered grouse. What is known by some as the quail is called a partridge in some localities, and in others the partridge is called a pheasant, and the eleven different grouse are known by eighteen different common names, while the quail are only allied to the grouse genera, and are really the partridge family, of seven American species, only one of which, the quail (*tetrao soturnix*) or "bob white," is known in Illinois or in the Eastern United States.

The two Illinois grouse are: First, the prairie hen, or pinnated grouse, known in the State of New-York as far back as 1791 as the "heath-hen," and now scientifically known as *cupidonia cupido*. Second, the pheasant, or ruffled grouse, scientifically known as *bonasaus umbellus*. The third, (no longer in Illinois game-bird,) the sharp-tailed grouse, known in late authorities as *Pediocates phasianellus*. Strange as it may appear, yet is nevertheless true, these three birds have been described by authors under fifteen different scientific names within the last 100 years. The prairie hen or pinnated grouse is too well known to need a description here. The sharp-tailed grouse (no longer known in Illinois) is found in Iowa and Dakota, only on the prairies, and generally near the Big Sioux River. It differs from the prairie-hen in having the under part darker, is stouter bill, feathered to the base of the toes, more wedge-shaped tail, with central feathers elongated, feathers marked with V-shaped white spots, especially on the breast, and also some U-shaped markings. It is nearly as large, and in some instances, though very rarely, exceeds the prairie hen in size. The meat, unlike the prairie hen, is white and very delicious. Like the other Illinois grouse, it has a tail of eighteen feathers.

The pheasant, scientifically known as *Bonasaus umbellus*, and also called the partridge, is a smaller bird, and was at one time quite abundant along the heavily-timbered and hilly portions of the Illinois River. It is yet easily found in the more seque-tered and hilly portions of the north-western counties. But the bird, like the sharp-tailed grouse, is soon to be a thing of the past in Illinois.

Description—Length, 18 inches; alar expanse, 24 inches; head, neck, and chest, black and pale chestnut in spots and bars; lower part of back and rump, dusky, feathers broadly terminated with chestnut and gray, mottled with dusky, roundish, paler spots toward the ends of the feathers; black ruff, presenting when reflected a variety of wing, more mottled and rufous; a number of the tertials with oblong whitish brown spots on the outer webs only; primaries, pale-dusky; inner webs, brownish white with dark spots; fourth primary longest, long auxiliary feathers, white, with gray bars; throat, pale rufous, with dusky spots below the feathers, with pale-rufous and gray bars, and br ad white tips; downy vent feathers, nearly white; lower tale coverts, pale-rufous, inverse arrow-heads of white; flanks, most distinctly barred; feet and bill, pale, livid brown; iris, hazel; in many birds tail almost wholly gray; male, ruff, broad, black feathers on sides of neck; female, ruff, smaller, dusky brown.—*Audubon, Wilson, Bonaparte, and Nuttall.*

The mountainous regions of the Middle States were the usual preferred residences of the ruffed grouse (called the partridge in Connecticut and Eastward,) and, although it is known to once have extended over the whole breadth of the Continent, even as far as the fifty-sixth parallel, and northward to Texas, Mr. Audubon says that there were portions of South Carolina in which it never existed. Its flesh is white and very tender. It is said by some persons that their flesh is poisonous after they have eaten the leaves of the laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*,) but Mr. Audubon appears to doubt this. It is the only one of the species, and in fact the only bird that produces the "drumming" or thunder-like noise, in the localities where it exists. It is very shy and takes wing at the slightest intrusion. Should a sportsman ever be fortunate enough to see one strutting and drumming, he would ever after hesitate before he shot one. It may be safely said that they are not only the proudest, but the handsomest game bird on this continent. They are rarely if ever found in flocks of more than four to six, and oftener from one to three.

THE POPE TO MONSIGNOR DUPANLOUP.

The Pope has sent the following letter to the Bishop of Orleans in reference to the pamphlet about Italy which that prelate recently published:

VENERABLE BROTHER: Although the extreme impudence with which the most solemn engagements are with daily increasing audacity violated by the men who govern Italy has now and again excited the displeasure of honest men and even of journals which are hostile to religion, we nevertheless think that you have done a good and useful work in setting forth the promises made by these same men in order to deceive the people and avert the indignation of the great Powers, and in citing the facts which show how these promises have been broken. As you yourself remark, this will not suffice to check the audacity of soulless men, and to awaken from their torpor those who, by letting such iniquitous acts pass unpunished, are working their own perdition; but, at the same time, collected and carefully set forth as they are in your pamphlet, the facts must surely strike those who read them, and, unless they have lost all moral sense, cause them to execrate so much ignominy and audacity. We congratulate you, therefore, upon having employed the great gifts of genius, eloquence, and laborious study of which God has given you, in tearing from the faces of these men the mask of legality with which they endeavor to disguise themselves when they are about to work some new injustice or some new iniquity. For it is something toward remedying an evil to expose it in all its nakedness before the world. Whatever happens, your pamphlet is calculated, strengthening, as it must do, the resolutions of the faithful, to open the eyes of many who have been deceived, and it may be that it will awaken a feeling of shame in the breasts of some of our enemies, and lead them back from the dangerous path they are following. That such may be the result we most earnestly pray God, and, in token of the heavenly favor and our special affection, we send you, most venerable brother, our apostolic benediction.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

HOME NOTES.

They have produced "Clancarty" at the New-Orleans Varieties.... The Majilitons were at the St. Charles Theatre, in New-Orleans.... Mr. Fechter was last week in Galveston.... Miss Neilson acts Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in Toronto.... Mr. Frederic Robinson was last week at the Cleveland Academy of Music.... Mr. F. S. Chanfrau was at De Bar's, in St. Louis.... Mr. Lawrence Barrett yesterday ended his second week at the Pittsburg Opera-house.... Miss Dargon reappeared last week at the Pittsburg Academy of Music.... Mr. Wybert Reeve was last week at McVicker's, in Chicago.... Mr. B. F. Lowell is to be connected with the new Globe Theatre, in Boston.... Mme. Janauschek was last week at the Academy of Music, in Buffalo.... Mr. J. K. Emmet was at the National Theatre, in Washington.... "Blind Tom" played at the Boston Music Hall last week.... Miss Carlotta Leclercq was at the Boston Theatre.... Two Thomas concerts took place last week in Baltimore. .... Miss Lucille Western was at the Holliday Street Theatre, in Baltimore, and Lotta was at Ford's.... Mr. J. S. Clarke was at the Walnut Street Theatre, in Philadelphia.... Mr. E. L. Davenport was at the Chestnut Street Theatre.... Mr. T. C. King was at the Albany Opera-house.... Mr. J. L. Toole was at Macauley's Theatre, in Louisville....

A Baltimore journal has the following: The Baltimore Academy of Music has so far approached completion that there is every assurance that it will be ready for use before the close of the year. We yesterday passed through every portion of it under the guidance of Mr. J. D. Ferguson, the business manager, and were surprised at the extent and magnificence of all its appointments. Having had good opportunity to view many similar establishments, we feel no hesitancy in asserting that when finished it will far excel both the Philadelphia and New-York Academies in its varied attractions. The auditorium is not so large as that of Philadelphia, but it is well known that the latter can seat 1,000 more persons than can satisfactorily hear the performance on the stage. It, however, will comfortably seat 1,800 persons without the slightest attempt at crowding, and with free passage-way around among the loges and circles. The planning and ornamentation is not surpassed by any other establishment in the country in richness and elegance, and the stage and all its appurtenances are of the most modern and approved description. The breadth and depth of the stage are greater than those of Booth's Theatre at New-York. The vestibules and approaches to the auditorium are finished with the same elegance, and we can promise a surprise to our citizens when they have an opportunity to examine its interior. The concert hall is finished in the same good taste and elegance, and will seat as many persons as the hall of the Concordia. Then the drawing-rooms restaurant, and all the appliances for a complete establishment of this kind are without equal in this country. The whole establishment is highly credit able to the taste, skill, and good judgment of the directors.... A Columbus (Ga.) exchange has the following: The Lingard Troupe disbanded in Macon. Lingard and most of the company returned to New-York. The baggage-master, Mr. Cotton, was discharged by Lingard. He claimed Lingard was indebted to him $174, and attached the bagrage. The necessary papers were arranged. Mayor Huff went on Lingard's bond and the baggage was released.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

A number of Sir Julius Benedict's friends, appreciating the eminent services which, during the long period of forty years, he has rendered to musical art in England, and his good faith in all his engagements, had expressed their desire of evincing their esteem by presenting him, on the occasion of his seventieth birthday at the end of November, with a testimonial, which will at once express this feeling and convey to his family a lasting remembrance of the cordial respect in which he is held, and which his high and honorable character so justly merits. The following noblemen and gentlemen have already consented to form a committee: Lord Skelmersdale, Lord Shrewsbury, Lord Sydney, Earl of Mar, Sir Robert Gerard, Lord Gerald Fitz-Gerald, Lord Suffield, Sir Robert Peel, Lord Camoys, and Lord Londesborough.... M. Hans Von Bulow has just given two piano recitals at St. James' Hall, in London.... The London *Echo* of Nov. 5 says: "'Oil and Vinegar' is the very original title of a merry, farcical piece, by Mr. H. J. Byron, produced at the Gaiety Theatre. Whether the idea is new, or (as from the witticism we might expect) Mr. Byron has taken it from the French, we cannot say, but it is of a very attractive nature. The piece is termed 'a matrimonial moral,' and turns upon an engaged pair, *Oloverton* and *Pringle*, the jovial and the sedate. Around these two are rung the changes on opposites, *Annie Black* and *Mary White*—a complete crossplay of characters, the oil being matched with the vinegar. The two pairs have met at Bilgewater-on-Thames for a friendly dinner, and during the ordering of the repast Oloverton discovers that he has made a mistake in choosing so solemn a girl as *Miss Black*, the prim; and *Pringle*, the ascetic, begins to fancy that *Mary White* is too gushing and jovial to make him a satisfactory wife. They talk about it, and while dinner is preparing and the ladies have been drawn away to listen to some music on the river, the gentlemen doze as the waiter comes in with the wine, followed by a guest, and the scene changes. Six months elapse, and we are presented with the domestic differences of the two married couples, who finally appear, agreed to exchange sweethearts, and oil is matched with oil, and vinegar with vinegar. But matters do not go well; there comes a perfect tangle of trouble, jealousy, and quarreling, and affairs have come to a state of threatened divorce, when just as, in a fierce quarrel, *Oloverton* has, in a jealous transport, hurled *Pringle* from the window, by a clever pantomimic change we are brought back to the hotel at Bilgewater-on-Thames, with the gentlemen comfortably asleep, and the waiter handing the wine—in fact, it has all been a dream; but so cleverly contrived is the surprise that the applause was most enthusiastic, and the curtain fell amid the heartiest applause."

....The Paris correspondent of the London *Daily Telegraph* writes, under date Nov. 5: The great event of late is "Madame l'Archiduc," which came out at the Bouffes on Saturday last. Before speaking of this, however, some notice is due to M. Litolff's work, "La Fiancée du Roi de Garoe," at the Folies Dramatiques, which preceded Offenbach's by three days. The libretto of this opera bouffe is by MM. Dennery and Chabrillat. I cannot compliment them on their picking a story of Boccaccio's, which La Fontaine had further elucidated, which Scribe had dramatized, and Auber had set to music, they have made out of it the most patchy and broken work I ever saw on the Parisian stage. One would think that these experienced dramatists had begun their task without collection, continued it without concert, and finished it in blank despair. The story of the wandering Princess is one which most men have heard, in one form or another, and the less said about it the better. Litolff seems as though M. Dennery, attracted, as was Scribe, by the reckless "go" of the tale, its life, motion, and brilliancy in La Fontaine's hands, had considered before choosing his subject how much of it even a French audience would endure visibly represented on the stage. The first act saw him through as much of the Princess' adventures as any censorship could license; unwilling to sacrifice a whole act, and to confess they had taken a wrong course, the authors seem to have floundered on, making a joke and pouncing an incident or a character just to "fill up." Such confusion of sexes was never ventured. There is a man who dresses as a woman, and some people know he is a man, while others do not; he dresses again in his own clothes, and then is taken for a woman disguised as a man, while others know he is a man, but not the same that—excuse further explanations. My head swims. The critic should receive a special education solely in logic and mathematics, to follow cases like this. But, under the circumstances, you will not be surprised to hear that a most kindly audience received the "Fiancée du Roi de Garbe" with languor. The music is not of a character to cause enthusiasm. I am inclined to believe it clever because, first, it is dull; secondly, because there is no melody in it; and thirdly, because every instrument in the orchestra—sackbut, psaltery, and all other kinds of music—is continually at work. I have noticed that, when these conditions are realised, the connoisseur is always enthusiastic. But your theatrical audience are not scientific, nor wish to be, except in Italy and Germany. They want amusement, song, and melody. With these M. Litolff meagrely furnishes them, and they go away with a conviction that the composer supplies much better fun at the Bal Frascati, where, baton in hand, he regulates at once a capital orchestra, and the *gambades, entrechats*, and *échappés* of Mlle. Finine and company. The King of Garbe's bride is Mlle. Vaughel, the original *Mephisto* of the "Petit Faust." After clear and accurate voice is pleasant to hear even, and the clever actress gives much individuality to a character which the authors have scarcely defined. Milher, the Alsatian *Valentine* of Hervé's great success, plays the foolish young King with all his famous humor. That man's strut, pretensions, and *ratés* are a study. Mario Widmer acts the lover, sometimes woman, sometimes man, and sometimes both one and other. His singing everybody knows. The only piece encored on the second night was the love duet between him and Vaughel in Act III. Both sang much to given to the dresses. Never, I think, has a spectacle been put on the stage to compare with the "Fiancée" in this respect. Even the supers wear real silk, real cloth of gold, jewelry of the costliest and most elaborate description—all of an originality and a taste charming to behold. The Nubian slaves, in Acts I. and II., are really pictures. And now for Offenbach's novelty. First, the libretto. It is by M. Albert Millaud, a writer distinguished for wit, even in the witty press of Paris. For "Mesdames l'Archidus" he has composed a plot, not quite original, but very amusing. In a certain, or rather uncertain, Archduchy, a body of conspirators meet at a village inn, where the head waiter has just been married to the *rentière* of the district. Their object is to upset the *Archduke*, and put his rival on the throne. Surprised by a party of dragoons, they persuade *Marietta* and her husband to pass themselves off as the pretender and his countess. They are duly arrested and taken before the *Archduke*, who falls in love with *Marietta*, and becomes so very mad as to abdicate in her favor. She immediately sets her husband free, and names all the captive conspirators for her Cabinet. They, the former revolutionists, become conservative, of a pantomimic type, while the *Archduke* and his late Ministers conspire with all their might. The condition of *Marietta* is discovered in good time, the *Archduke* regains his throne, and a happy compromise unites both parties of conspirators in a single Cabinet. As there is nothing to choose between their politics—so long as they receive the official salary—the sovereign gives his ear to one party the first three days of the week, and to the other the remaining three, keeping for his sole use and statesmanship the Sunday. The first act is equal to anything Offenbach has written, it not, as a whole, superior to his best effort. Melody! It is all melody, all love, lyric, and dash. The first quartet strikes a note carried all through. There are half a dozen airs in it, each of which would make a success for ordinary composers. The last—a song for Judic, with the refrain, "Un p'tit bonhomme pas plus hant qu' ça," addressed to Mme. Grivot, who makes the very daintiest of all *militaires*—will travel the world over. It was encored three times—once more than all the other airs. In France we may be quite sure that a refrain so fitted to M. Theuris will be parodied on every hand. Mlle. Judic, who has divorced the faithful Peschard, with whose aid her greatest triumphs have been won, is not likely, I fear, to tolerate this new rival. Mme. Grivot will have to seek her successes elsewhere, and no doubt but she will find them. The second act showed a grave decline. Something must be allowed for the weakness of human nature, which could not long keep at the level of such enthusiasm as the first act called forth. But it would seem that M. Offenbach had left the elaboration of his libretto. It might be another composer who came in—a composer of great talent, but far beneath the maestro. But the author of a hundred charming songs reappears when Judic commences the romance, "Dans cet asile," and the accomplished musician is recognized once more in the sestuor which follows. At the third act the audience is almost tired. People talk—evil sign! Fortunately, perhaps, it is short. An orchestra equal to that of the Bouffes, whither M. Offenbach has sent the pick of his Gaîté performers, can rarely be heard, and never had they more excellent music to discourse. Judic, I understand, is far from well, but she showed illness only in her face.... Mme. Rosa Csillag has opened a singing-school in Vienna.... The *Academy* says: "The great Italian tragedian, Ernest Rossi, has been exciting great enthusiasm in Florence by his rendering of the part of *King Lear*. But his countrymen are likely to lose him just when he has arrived at the full maturity of his powers. The Brazilians are urging him warmly to return to them, Warsaw calls upon him to found a school of dramatic art in its centre, and Russia and Germany are putting in rival claims to his services."... Herr Reinecke is, Viennese papers say, to be the successor of Otto Dessoff (who is going to Karlsruhe) as first conductor of the Vienna Opera and the Philharmonic Concerts.... Herr Ignatz Brull has finished a three-act operacomic, named "Das goldene Kreuz." ("The Golden Cross.") The libretto is by Mosenthal, the author of "Deborah"... Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" has been set to music by a German, Herr Hans Gotz, of Zurich. The work, a comic opera in four acts, was successfully produced at Mannheim.... The *Neue Zeitschrift für Musik* announces that "Lohengrin" is to be produced next March, for the first time, at the Italian Opera in Paris, and that the part of *Elsa* will be sung by Mme. Blume Santos.... *Polybition* states that M. Edouard Fétis has handed over to Messrs. Firmin Didot the MS. of the fifth volume of the *General History of Music*, composed with the help of the documents left by his father. The fourth volume of this work is now in the press.

ALABAMA.

MESSAGE OF GOV. LEWIS—HIS VIEWS ON NATIONAL POLITICS.

Gov. Lewis, the present Republican Governor of Alabama, concludes his message to the Legislature as follows:

It is to be hoped that the impatience and restiveness of many of our people under the operation of reconstruction will abate into patriotic submission to law. It is believed that this reluctant recognition of the national authority does not penetrate the hearts of the masses. They naturally desire peace and quiet, that they may reap the fruition of labor and thrift, in the education and comfort of their families. This disaffection is cherished and pronounced by a class of political speculators, who imagine that profit may be developed from alarm and chaos. The good sense and benevolent courage of the masses of the people, in demanding a cessation of these alarms, which are as unprofitable as they are unpatriotic, constitute the only remedy for this chronic evil. A calm retrospect of the acts of the political leaders of the State Rights Party in the South for the last fourteen years shows that they have only brought disappointment to their adherents and disaster on the whole country, and every effort to build up what they term the rights of the States has only consolidated and crystallized the national authority. The war which they inaugurated, because of embarrassments to the asserted right of carrying slavery into the Territories, caused the destruction of Providence its destruction in the States. Their persistent refusal to accept the results of the appeal to arms, manifested in their repugnance to the amendments of the Constitution of the United States, certain; and the unjust and injurious legislation of several of the States regulating labor contracts and vagrancy; and the associational hostility to the rights of citizens, have all resulted in the exercise of national authority, both legislative and judicial, which the situation naturally suggested as essential to vindicate the paramount law of the land. While we may naturally regret that these issues, with their attendant disasters, were thrust upon this generation, we yet have just reason to rejoice that the national authority has been vindicated, and that our country is exempt from the tedious career of chaos and carnage which the strifes of Lacedæmon and Attica, in Greece, and the civil strifes of States in other confederacies exhibit in struggling for the mastery of power. While the full establishment of the national authority pledges us above all fear from foreign hostility, it is at the same time the palladium of the liberty and rights of the citizen. In conclusion, I beg to assure the General Assembly of my sincere desire that wisdom, patriotism, and moderation may characterize their deliberations, and that the State may be crowned with the highest prosperity.

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND THE POPE.

The London *Daily News'* correspondent in Rome, writing on the 30th ult., says: "The news that the British Government has resolved to suppress the post of Chargé d'Affaires at the Holy See is confirmed in official circles. The post is not an official one in the strict sense of the term, but Mr. Jervoise, who fills it, is virtually the representative of Great Britain whatever his exact position may be. The Italian Government, of course, has taken no notice of this fact. By the law on Papal guarantees every power is permitted to keep a representative of its own at the Vatican, and the Italian authorities are bound to consider them equal in rank and position to the Ministers accredited to the Court of King Victor Emmanuel. Foreign powers may profit as they think best by the concessions made by the Italian Parliament, and the retention or the withdrawal of a Minister accredited to the Holy See is a question which simply regards foreign States. But so far as public opinion is concerned, I must be allowed to say that the step taken by the foreign office has met with general approval. Of course, however, the Pope, and more especially Cardinal Antonelli, are furious against Lord Derby. Cardinal Antonelli, though the last shred of temporal dominion has been torn away, has not abandoned his title of Secretary of State, and in his transactions with foreign diplomatists speaks as though he were the principal Minister of a powerful Government, having at its disposal fleets and armies. In voting the law on Papal guarantees the Government provided for cases in which the powers might like to have a special envoy at the Vatican, because it was considered that there might arise questions of a specially spiritual character to be discussed, and because it was only too likely that Pius IX., would have nothing to do with the foreign ministers especially accredited to the Court of the 'Usurper' King. Four years of experience have sufficed to prove that these special semi-spiritual ambassadors are perfectly useless. The ministers accredited to the Holy See and all the members of the Legation belong to the regular diplomatic service of each State, and what can they understand about ecclesiastical affairs? The Ministers accredited to the Holy See have, during four years, dealt with none of the questions concerning the religious interests of their respective countries, and seem to have had nothing to do but to listen to the lamentations of the Pope. In many instances the presence of these Ministers has created hopes at the Vatican—hopes which ought never to have been entertained—and awkward collisions of authority have arisen in Rome itself between the different envoys. This could only puzzle Foreign Office Ministers. In the case of England, what must Earl Granville have thought when he received on the very same day a dispatch from Sir Augustus Paget, explaining in one way a certain anti-clerical demonstration which had taken place at the Church of the Jesu, and another quasi-clerical account of the facts from the representative of England at the Vatican, Mr. Jervoise?"

THAT CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION.

Virginia papers are repeating their erroneous story that Ex-Mayor Chahoon, of Richmond, was a candidate for Congress in this State at the late election. The Richmond *Whig* of Monday says: "It was stated before the late elections that Chahoon, the former Mayor of this city, (by military appointment,) who was nominated for a seat in Congress in the district in which he now resides in the State of New-York, would certainly be elected by a large majority. It turns out, however, that he was defeated by his Democratic competitor. The rôle of martyr did not succeed.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—NOV. 21.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

20	A. & P. Telegraph	20	20
1100	Western Union	79⅞	79⅞
100	do	79⅝	79⅝
200	do	80	80
800	do	79⅞	79⅞
100	N. Y. C. & Hud	101⅝	101⅝
300	do	101½	101⅝
100	do	101⅝	101⅝
200	Union Pacific	35⅝	35⅝
900	do	35⅞	36
500	do	35⅝	35⅝
800	do	35½	35⅝
400	Pacific Mail	44⅝	44⅝
200	do	44⅝	44⅝
200	do	44⅝	44⅝
400	do	44⅝	44⅝
200	Erie Railway	28⅜	28⅜
1000	Lake Shore	80⅝	80⅝
100	do	80⅝	80⅝
900	do	80⅝	80⅝
100	Erie	28⅛	28⅛
200	do	28⅜	28⅜
200	do	28⅝	28⅝
20	Del., L. & W	109⅜	109⅜
500	North-western	83	41½
100	do	41⅝	41⅝
1600	do	41⅝	41⅝
100	do	83	41⅝
200	do	41⅝	41⅝
300	Rock Island	99⅞	99⅞
200	do	99⅞	99⅞
800	St. Paul	36⅝	36⅝
400	do	36⅜	36⅜
200	do	36¼	36¼
800	Tol. & Wabash	31⅜	31⅜
700	do	31¼	31¼
200	do	31⅛	31⅛
100	do	31⅛	31⅛
300	do	31⅛	31⅛
300	Ohio & Miss	30⅞	30⅞
100	do	30⅝	30⅝
2100	do	30¼	30¼
300	Ohio & Miss	32	32
300	do	32	32
100	do	31⅞	31⅞

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—12:30 P. M.

$20,000	N. Y. Central 1st, C	112	112
20,000	C. Pac. G. B.	95⅞	95⅞
10,000	do	95⅞	95⅞
1,000	Un. Pac. 1st	90½	90½
5	Western Union	80¼	80¼
200	Pac. Mail	44⅝	44⅝
800	do	44⅝	44⅝
200	do	44⅝	44⅝
100	do	44⅜	44⅜
100	do	44¾	44¾
100	Erie Railway	28⅜	28⅜
200	Union Pac	35⅞	35⅞
100	do	35⅜	35⅜
300	do	35¾	35⅞
200	do	35⅜	35⅜
2.0	North-western	41⅝	41⅝
500	do	41⅜	41⅜
500	do	41⅜	41⅜
100	do	41⅝	41⅝
60	Ft. Wayne	95½	95½

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 AND 11:30 A. M.

$1.000	U. S. 5.20 C., '62	112½	$10,000 U.S.5-20Reg., '67
2,000	do	112

FISH IN NEW-YORK.

OLD CATALOGUES OF FISHES—THEIR PRESENT VARIETY—FISH CONSIDERED AS DIET.

In the last report of the United States Commission of Fish and Fisheries, so ably written by Prof. Spencer F. Baird, some 351 species of sea-fish, found on the east coast of North America, are enumerated. In former catalogues some 334 kinds of fishes were given, and although fifty species have been added since that time, the present apparently diminished number, Prof. Baird tells us, "is the result of reduction and reference of many nominal species to their proper types."

Setting aside for the present scientific nomenclatures, it becomes an interesting question for us to know how many of these various kinds of fish are edible, as presented to us every day throughout the year in New-York markets. There are no prejudices more singularly lasting than those which we enforce on ourselves in regard to what we shall eat. Some religions, notably the Jewish creed, anathamatize certain kinds of fish, and prevent true believers from eating them. According to more modern ideas, all dietary regulations, unless dictated through reason or circumstance, are at variance with the more thorough information the world possesses, and such antiquated laws dictating what should or should not be eaten, even to the Jews, now seem to approach close of fetishism and the eccentricities of African taboo. Still it is singular to recall how peculiar are these dislikes. It is perfectly within the memory of the writer when the use of the most excellent of all meat, mutton, was held in horror by the middle classes, and he believes that to this day in many of the agricultural sections of New-York and Pennsylvania mutton is never eaten. If the question was asked of a farmer why he did not eat mutton, the reply was, "Oh, a sheep makes wool, that's the reason why we do not eat it." A curious repugnance arising from ignorance causes many excellent varieties of fish to be neglected. People dislike eels, certainly the most delicate and nutritous of fish, simply because they look like snakes and squirm. The lamprey, another admirable fish often in our markets and highly prized on the Continent, though strange to say but little eaten in England, languishes on our stalls simply for the reason that it looks like an eel and has a certain number of holes in his side, through which popular superstition supposes poison exudes. The gar fish, another good fish, finds few customers, because when cooked his bones become green. Here, however, our Jewish friends come in, and buy gar, cleverly outwitting the Christians.

As New-York is the great centre whence converges everything that can be eaten throughout the country, there is often brought to market novel fish which are looked upon rather as ichthyo curiosities than as food. Of course it takes a certain amount of gustatory courage to test the edible qualities of queer-looking fish. Now, the squid, a smaller edition of Victor Hugo's sea monster, is certainly not a handsome-looking creature. Some time ago M. Tegetmeyer, clever naturalist, published in the London *Field* fac similies of certain very realistic Japanese prints, which showed these peculiar insulars bargaining for the limbs and tentacles of a monstrous octopod. The question then arose was the octopod edible. Some gentlemen in New-York, with a self-devotion worthy of all praise, took home the despised squid, and to the horror of their cooks, had them dressed. Squid turned out to be quite palatable. Seeking for further information, these bold men discovered that a certain Spanish restaurateur in this City was in the habit of giving unlimited orders for squid; in fact, he was ready to buy up the whole squid market. Going to his establishment, these gentlemen regaled themselves with a salmis of squid, flavored and colored with its own ink; and all of them, gourmets of approved merit, declared that such a dish would have created a furore at Delmonico's. Further inquiry led to the discovery that squid was thought all throughout Spain and Italy to be the greatest delicacy the sea produced. Last Winter there appeared in Fulton Market a peculiar flat fish, looking something like a sheep's-head, but, unknown to the dealers even by name, and from having no cognomen commanding no price. The experiment of cooking it developed the fact that it was more delicate in flesh and flavor than the sheep's-head. A bold steward of a prominent hotel was brave enough to place it on his table, and clamorous guests appreciatively asked for more. The consequences were soon manifested from ten cents for a whole fish of three pounds the price went up to twenty cents a pound, which the fish was fully worth, and a new edible fish was presented in the market.

In Colonel De Voe's most excellent book, the *Market Assistant*, we have an opportunity of finding out what fish were brought to New-York market in the beginning of this century. From the time the fishing smack Amherst had sailed, some forty-one years before, in 1763, from New-York for the Banks, evidently great progress had been made. The prizes offered by the Chamber of Commerce in 1773 had had their effect. Therein amounts varying from twenty to ten pounds were offered for the greatest quantity of sheep's-head, cod, or mackerel to be brought into New-York. According to the *Daily Advertiser* of July, 1804, the following is the list of fish, shell-fish, and turtle exposed for sale in New-York: "We have alewives, bass, black fish, bregals, cat fish, chub, clams, cod, crabs, dog fish, drum fish, eels, fiddlers, flounders, gar fish, green turtle, haddocks, hollebut, herring, killy fish, king fish, lamper eels, lobsters, mackerel, mullet, muscles, oysters, pike, pollock, porgeys, prawns, ray, salmon, scollops, sculping, sea bass, chad, sheeps-head, shrimps, skate, smelts, snails or conk, snapping-turtle, soles, Spanish mackerel, sturgeon, suckers, sun-fish, tairapins, tom-cod, weak-fish, white and yellow perch." The *Chronicle and Express*, however, of about the same date, not to be outrivaled, taxes its contemporary with numerous omissions, and supplements the list with some twenty-nine additional kinds of fish, ingging in dolphins, sea-cats, mmees, sand-wallopers, sheeps-head, and swallow-tailed cat-fish. As De Voe very justly remarks, but few of the better varieties of fresh water fish are found. We may, at the same time, express our opinion that at the specified date, Jan. 4, when, in 1804, the list was made out, certain kinds of fish, though cited, might not have been actually seen, as they belonged to the sea harvests of prior months, and it is not probable that refrigerating processes for preserving fish were then in vogue. Extensive, though, as this quantity of fish may then have seemed, taking the edible fish on both lists as amounting to about eighty, we have excelled it very much as to variety to-day, the additions coming from the lakes, Canada, and from the Southern seacoast. It may be roundly stated, and if we err it is on the safe side, that of marine fish there is exposed for sale in the New-York markets during the year, some sixty-seven kinds, and of fresh-water fish some forty-one, making a total of 108, to which is to be added sixteen varieties of shell fish and crustaceans, presenting a handsome total of 124 different varieties of food, all the command of those ichthyophagously inclined. That this list may be expanded is quite probable, as fish other than the California salmon may be expected before long, and in time the grayling will come from Michigan waters, or from private fish ponds.

Comparing our own list, extensive though it may be, with the catalogue of fish eaten in England, we find that it only exceeds it by some twenty-four. The comparison is, however, not made between London and New-York, but between New-York and all England.

In a recent foreign journal there appeared an excellent article devoted to the subject of fish eating. Considering the high price of butcher's meat in England and Scotland, the writer of the paper in question, while endeavoring to induce the poorer classes to become more generally fish eaters to a certain extent, lays down, in a rational and scientific way, the comparative value of beef and fish as food. As a practical essay on such matters, "the proof of the pudding is in the eating of it," is a hundred times more conclusive than abstract theories, as no bread winner or bread buyer in general is supposed, while entering for his family, to bear in mind the difference, nitrogenous or otherwise, which exist between a porter-house steak and a codfish, the writer in *Chambers's Journal* details a crucial experiment.

The lady of a house, with many mouths to feed, intimidated at the price asked for a leg of mutton, buys a cod of twenty pounds. She divides the fish into three parts. One part she boils, one she bakes, and the third course was a cod in curry. "As far as the cooking went," says the fair experimenter, "it was a success; but the children ate the big people became sooner hungry than usual, so that the serving of the tea had to be expedited by about an hour. From this we may feel satisfied in not had a feeling about him that he had not dined." We suppose the family had to make it up either at supper that night or by eating an extra allowance at breakfast next morning. In England or Scotland an argument of this character might very properly be employed as adverse to the use of fish in an economic sense; for we are informed that notwithstanding their abundance "many kinds of sea produce are dearer in proportion to their food-yielding properties than sirloins of beef or saddles of mutton," and the author cites how an egg contains more meat than an oyster, though an oyster is worth twice as much in England as an egg. Such differences may exist in the United States to a certain degree in regard to the rarer or more appreciated fish, but taking the usual price of fish it does not hold, and the cost of fish generally in New-York bears curiously enough a fair proportion to their exact alimentary powers. A variety of food always seems to be a human necessity. If in good beef analysis shows us there must be as much as fifteen per cent. of nitrogenous substances and some thirty per cent. of fat, and in fish even a greater excess of nitrogen and only two or three per cent. of fat, we are not to suppose that either one should be used to the exclusion of the other. If in fish the phosphates are in a more soluble condition, and may go readily to make up for brain wastages, (whence Mark Twain's desire to eat a whale,) the quality of the alimentary substances in beef may be kept longer in reserve, and give that more perfect physical equilibrium so necessary to our system.

A SAVAGE IN THE FORECASTLE.

A SOUTH PACIFIC ISLANDER MURDERS TWO SEAMEN AND IS KILLED AFTER A DESPERATE RESISTANCE.

From the San Francisco Chronicle, Nov. 13.

The whaling bark Florence, which for about a year past has been cruising in the Japan and Ochotsk Seas in search of monarchs of the deep, arrived in this port last evening with a cargo of oil and bone consigned to H. C. Wright. Capt. Williams, in addition to the customary uninteresting reports of wind and weather, furnishes the details of a succession of casualties. From his statement the following story is gleaned.

On the way to the vessel's destination she put in at Pleasant Island, a small island about fifteen miles in circumference, situated in the South Pacific Ocean, in longitude 0° 25' south, and latitude 167° 0' east. A large number of the natives of the island, accompanied by W. J. Stewart, a white resident, were allowed to board the vessel, and furnished the crew with fresh supplies in abundance. After a stay of two days the vessel was prepared for sea.

After the vessel had progressed a short distance on its route, a stowaway, in the person of a copper-colored native of the island, was found concealed in a hiding-place below deck. He was conveyed to the Captain, to whom he expressed a desire to accompany the vessel in the capacity of seaman. He was accordingly furnished with clothing and other appurtenances of a sailor, and was formally christened with the appellation of "Pat Jim." The new recruit prosecuted his allotted labor with all the zest and recklessness indicative of an old seaman, and attracted no attention until about the middle of February, when something peculiar was manifest in his conduct. He talked and muttered in an incoherent manner, and accompanied his gabbling with gestures of the most frantic character. By order of the Captain he was ordered "forward," and the occurrence was banished from the minds of the ship's officers as a matter of little moment. Shortly after his retirement to that portion of the vessel a cry of "Man cut!" mingled with screams of terror, were heard coming from that direction. The Captain hastened to the spot, and was appalled by the shocking spectacle. On the deck, stretched out cold and dead, lay the bodies of two seamen, mangled in a horrible manner. One of the seamen was Ernest Thois, a Frenchman. The other proved to be an American named G. A. Cooper. His body was stabbed in seven different places. The deck was slippery with the blood which had flowed from the wounds of the murdered men. From the statements of the seamen who witnessed the occurrence from a short distance, the Captain gleaned the following particulars:

The day had been exceptionally sultry and disagreeable, and a portion of the crew were passing their time lying in the tap-gallant rigging. "Jim," the native, whose eccentricities had excited some attention, had joined them, after receiving the admonition from the Captain. In one moment, suddenly and without the slightest warning or immediate provocation, the native drew the knife which hung in the Frenchman's sheath and stabbed him in the abdomen, dragging the knife across the body, and inflicting a ghastly wound. The infuriated native then sprang at another member of the crew, and effected a violent lunge at him, but fortunately the assailed seaman was too agile, and escaped with a smooth rent in his shirt. Cooper was the next one attacked, but he was not armed at the time, and his attempts to defeat the native's infuriated assault were useless. He did not fall to the deck, however, until he had fought for his life, and had received seven terrible stabs in the breast, face, and thighs. After the struggle with Cooper the native sprang into the forecastle, where he imagined himself secure from harm. The crew were afraid to venture through the hatch, and notwithstanding the repeated orders of the Captain, declined to do it. At last the Captain ordered that the bulkhead separating the crew from the forecastle be torn away. The sailors went to work with a will, and in a brief period had torn down sufficient to effect an entrance into the murderer's hiding-place. All attempts at a peaceable capture of the wretch were futile, owing to the fierceness of the native's disposition. He resisted the endeavors of the crew to capture him, and, in fact, attacked them with ferocity. In one of the struggles a sailor plunged his knife into the native's heart and he fell to the deck dead. Late in the afternoon the three bodies were committed to the waves. The triple tragedy cast a gloom over the whole remaining voyage, and the superstitious propensities of the sailors were heightened to an inordinate degree.

On the morning of the 20th of March following, the cook of the vessel summoned the steward (Edward Hill) on deck to perform some service. After its completion the steward retired below. Immediately afterward the cook desired his services again, and repaired below to find him. He returned at once, however, with the information that he was missing. A search of the vessel corroborated his statement. The conclusion was arrived at by the crew that he had either fallen or jumped overboard.

A PRIEST ARRESTED IN CHURCH.

The Berlin correspondent of the London *Times* telegraphed to that journal under date Nov. 3:

"Roman Catholic clergymen forcibly removed from their livings for transgressing the ecclesiastical laws have lately been in the habit of returning to their parishes and celebrating Divine service as though nothing had happened. The practice has been so universal that there is but one way of accounting for it. It must have been enjoined by the Pope. After tolerating it for a fortnight, the Government, who had probably hoped that this daring disregard of the law would die out of itself, determined to make a stand. A few days ago three policemen were stationed at the door of St. Laurence, at Treves, to arrest one Father Schneider, an expelled priest, as he left the church after performing holy mass, but the reverend father managed to escape by a back door. The same three policemen, the day before yesterday, entered the church as the father was standing at the altar. Placing themselves opposite the communion table, they arrested him the moment service was over, and in sight of the whole congregation. The church was full of women and men of the lower class, who, not a little excited by the occurrence, began to jostle the policemen. Upon this, one of the latter drew his sword, when all resistance ceased. The arrest was effected without anybody being wounded or otherwise injured. Last week the Bishop of Hildesheim was to have paid 200 thalers for ignoring the ecclesiastical laws. When the Sheriff called upon him to exact the money or seize property instead, the Bishop opened a desk, which, he said, contained all his earthly possessions. In the desk the Sheriff found six shillings and a legal document containing the absolute surrender by the Bishop of all his property to his sister. The Bishop belongs to those ecclesiastics who have hitherto paid their fines, and his sudden recusancy, coupled with the return of the expelled priests to their parishes, seems to indicate an intention of the Pope to bring on a crisis. Defying this Papal policy, the leading Liberal papers of the Catholic districts unanimously express the hope that the Government will stringently enforce the law, and arrest on the very steps of the altar every expelled priest who returns to officiate in his parish. To-night's Ultramontane papers contend that the policemen who entered the church at Trèves were seven in number, that they all drew their swords, and that some of their adversaries were wounded. According to the same source, a marble communion table worth £150 was shattered to pieces by the congregation rushing to the rescue of their priest. There were several thousand people in the square in front of the church when the seven policemen threaded their way through the multitude leading Father Schneider to prison. No resistance was offered outside the church, though some stones were thrown. The church has been closed and is to be reconsecrated. Four artisans who resisted the Police in the church were arrested two hours later. The *Trier Zeitung*, the only important journal of the district, says that the Police could not act otherwise than make an example of one of the recusant clergymen, and that Father Schneider alone is to blame for what has occurred."

KINGS COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT.

The following is a record of the business transacted in the Kings County Surrogate's Court during the past week:

Wills proved: Christopher C. Bennett, of the town of New-Utrecht; John C. Moore, Mary Mayer, Jacob Jacobs, and Agnes B. Cronk, all of the City of Brooklyn. Letters of administration were granted in the estates of the following named deceased persons, viz.: William H. Rich, of Millbridge, Washington County, Maine; Ellen Gormley, Konrad Spittler, John E. Reitzel, Dora V. Swinburn, formerly Dora V. Dorman; Bridget Tocle, Joseph D. Conlies, Ellen G. Hegginbotham, Edmund O. Holt, William A. Smith, Francis B. Hallesbeck, all of the City of Brooklyn. Letters of guardianship of the estate of Constance Campbell and Wilhelmina Campbell were granted to William H. Marble; of Sophia M. Wyckoff, of Morris County, N. J., her mother; all of the City of Brooklyn.

MILITARY GOSSIP.

NATIONAL GUARD NOTES.

The tenth competition for the *Turf, Field and Farm* challenge badge will be held at Creedmoor, on Saturday, at 2 P. M.

The head-quarter nights of Acting Major Gen. Varian were inadvertently published as Wednesdays instead of Mondays, in General Orders No. 16.

Lieut. Col. James B. Hitchcock commanding, the Ninth Regiment, has been appointed a member of the State Examining Board, vice Col. William D. Dickey, relieved.

The head-quarters of the Third Brigade, Acting Gen. Emmons Clark commanding, have been established at the armory of the Eighth Regiment, in Twenty-third street.

The Separate Troop Cavalry, Capt. Karl Klein commanding, will hold its regular business meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at 8 P. M. Drills in this command will be resumed on Jan. 1.

At a recent meeting of Company C, Ninth Regiment, Capt. Tallman commanding, Howard Kennedy was elected Second Lieutenant. First Lieut. F. F. Valentine, of Company D, in this command, has tendered his resignation.

Company H, Eighty-fourth Regiment, Capt. Eli Taylor commanding, will hold its thirteenth annual ball at the regimental armory, corner of Fourth street and Broadway, on Thanksgiving Eve. Military gentlemen are requested to appear in uniform.

A new rifle club, which has been started in Mount Vernon, Westchester County, propose to hold their first prize meeting on Thanksgiving Day. A two hundred yard range has been obtained near the village, and the list of prizes is already quite respectable.

The Military Examining Board, Gen. John B. Woodward, President, will assemble at the State Arsenal, corner of Thirty-fifth street and Seventh avenue, on Tuesday next, at 12 o'clock, for the examination of such officers as may be ordered to appear before that body.

Another attempt will be made during the present week, to elect a commander to fill the existing vacancy in the Second Brigade. There are several aspirants for the position, the most prominent of whom is Col. Vinmar, at present in command of the Eleventh Regiment.

A number of rifle contests will take place on the range at Creedmoor, Long Island, on Thanksgiving Day. Company G, Seventy-first Regiment, augmented by members of other companies, will contest for a badge on that occasion, and the Eighth Regiment Rifle Association will compete for a medal.

Capt. D. D. Wylie, late in command of the Washington Grey Troop Cavalry, has been appointed Inspector of Rifle Practice in the Third Brigade. Capt. Wylie is a marksman of considerable practical ability, and having thoroughly studied the theory of rifle-practice, will be a valuable acquisition to the Third Brigade staff.

At an election held in the Thirty-sixth Regiment, on Thursday evening, Peter Hammer was re-elected Lieutenant Colonel, and Frederick Kloeppel, Major, in that command. It will be remembered that these officers were removed by the Commander in Chief for disobedience of orders last Spring. Col. Stahl, at present in command of that regiment, was removed at the same time, but has since been reinstated.

The officers of the Twelfth Regiment will contest for possession of the Boylan badge at Creedmoor, on Tuesday next. Company K in this command announces a humorous lecture by Dr. J. Jay Vinmar, to take place on the regimental armory, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 9, at 8 P. M. This command has decided to equip its drum corps in a uniform similar to that worn by the rank and file of the regiment.

The Board of Officers of the Thirty-second Regiment, Brooklyn, Col. Roehr commanding, will proceed to Creedmoor, Long Island, for rifle practice, on Wednesday next, Lieuts. S. R. Bluemcke, of Company F, and Herman Beris, of Company G, in this command, have resigned. Capt. Theodore Holsiepen, of Company E, in the same regiment, was serenaded by the members of his command on Monday evening.

The ninth annual ball of the "E. A. Kimball Guard," Company D, First Battalion Infantry, will take place at the armory, No. 118 West Thirty second street, on Thursday evening. The company officers in this command held a drill at the armory on Monday evening. The following enlisted men, for non-payment of company dues, and for habitual neglect of duty, were recently dishonorably expelled from this command: John Cuniter, John Doyle, Peter Kilelee, James V. Smith, Harry Goulet, Jacob Probst, and Charles Schreder.

At an election in Company I, Thirteenth Regiment, Brooklyn, Capt. Cochou commanding, William E. Richardson was elected First Lieutenant. On Monday evening last, Company D, of this command, elected First Sergt. E. H. Narwood Second Lieutenant. Lieut. Narwood has been connected with this command since the late war, during which he was in active service. The company officers in this command held a theoretical drill at the armory on Tuesday evening for the purpose of making a thorough comparison between the old and new tactics, with a view to securing uniformity among the companies.

Company H, Seventh Regiment, Capt. Richard Allison commanding, accompanied by a representation of the veterans in that command, attended the funeral of their late comrade, John K. Sheppard, at Mount Vernon, Westchester County, on Thursday last. At a recent election in Company G, of this Regiment, Capts. George Ely commanding, Corporal Thomas H. Rancible was chosen First Sergeant, vice Negus, resigned. Privates William E. Turner and Charles Snevilly were elected Corporals. Private W. H. Fish, of Washington Grey Troop, has been transferred to Company E, in this command.

The Eighty-fourth Regiment, Lieut. Col. Beattie commanding, paraded for battalion drill at the State Arsenal on Monday evening. The command was equalized in eight companies, of twelve files front, after which it was formed for review. The review in line was well performed, but during the passage the alignments and distances were not well preserved, and the marching was susceptible of improvement. The salutes were rather indifferently performed. The regiment was subsequently exercised in a series of battalion movements. The wing drills, under the command of Major Conlon, held at the armory during the week, were well attended.

The evening drills in the arsenal for December, as at present engaged, will be as follows: Tuesday, 1st, wing drill of the Fifth Regiment; Wednesday, 2d, Company K, of the Seventh; Thursday, 3d, Company B, of the Seventh; Friday, 4th, Company H, of the Seventh; Monday, 7th, Seventy-first Regiment; Tuesday 8th, Eighty-fourth Regiment; Wednesday, 9th, Seventy-ninth Regiment; Thursday 10th, wing drill Fifth Regiment; Friday, 11th, Twelfth Regiment; Monday, 14th, Twelfth Regiment; Tuesday, 15th, Company F, of the Seventh; Wednesday, 16th, Eighth Regiment; Thursday, 17th, Company B, of the Seventh; Friday, 18th, Company H, of the Seventh; Monday, 21st, Company G, of the Seventh; Tuesday, 22d, Seventy-first Regiment; Wednesday, 23d, Skidmore Guards; Monday, 28th, Eighth Regiment.

The Irving Amateur Dramatic Association, composed of the members of Company A, Twenty-second Regiment, held an entertainment at the armory on Thursday evening. A temporary stage had been erected in the gymnasium, and the fourth act of the "Merchant of Venice," and the farce of "To Oblige Benson," were rendered to the satisfaction of a large audience. Musical selections were performed by the Mozart Musical Union. Lieut. J. C. Wilmerding, of Company H in this command, has tendered his resignation. Capt. Wilmot M. Dunning and First Lieut. Thomas L. Miller have passed a favorable examination before the Brigade Examining Board. A grand concert will be given by the regimental band, under the direction of Mr. P. S. Gilmore, on Saturday evening next. The annual meeting of the veteran corps of this regiment will take place at the armory on Friday, Dec. 4, at 8 P. M.

The Seventy-first Regiment, Col. Richard Vose commanding, paraded on Wednesday evening at the State Arsenal in full uniform, including the recently-adopted bearskin shakos. The command was equalized in eight companies of twelve files front, comprising a total of 240 men. After formation in line, Col. Vose exercised the command in the manual, and it was then marched by the flank around the hall, wheeled into line, and broken by companies into open ranks. Col. Denny, chief of staff of the First Brigade, then accompanied the commander in an informal inspection, after which a marching drill followed, in which the evolutions were generally very well performed. As this was the first drill of the season, some errors were of course committed, which will be corrected before the close of the season. Capt. E. A. McAlpin, commanding Company E, in this regiment, has been tendered a position on the staff of the Governor elect.

The resignations of the following officers have been accepted during the month of October: Fifth Brigade—Josiah S. Colgate, Captain and Ordnance Officer, Oct. 31. Fifth Regiment—Louis Ploeger, Captain, Oct. 31. Tenth Regiment—John H. Lindsay, First Lieutenant, Oct. 31. Thirty-second Regiment—Frederick J. Karcher, Captain, Oct. 31. Forty-seventh Regiment—John C. Rogers, First Lieutenant, Oct. 22; Lee Nutting, Captain, Oct. 31. Separate Troop Cavalry—Peter Bertsch, First Lieutenant, Oct. 22. Forty-eighth Regiment—Alonzo B. Randall, Colonel, Oct. 6. Fifty-fourth Regiment—Christian Spatz, Captain, Oct. 29; William Stiefel, First Lieutenant, Oct. 31; William F. Carnell, Second Lieutenant, Oct. 31. Fifty-fifth Regiment—Peter Hat, Captain, Oct. 31. Fifteenth Battalion—Samuel Sherwell, Major and Surgeon, Oct. 31. Twenty-eighth Battalion—Alois Kohler, First Lieutenant, Oct. 31. Sixty-fifth Regiment—Charles B. Doel, Second Lieutenant, Oct. 31. Seventy-first Regiment—John W. Senior, Second Lieutenant, Oct. 31. Seventy-fourth Regiment—E. A. Rockwood, First Lieutenant and Adjutant, Oct. 31.

The Eleventh Regiment, Col. Frederick Vilmar commanding, held a battalion drill at its armory on Monday evening. After formation, inspection of companies took place; then the Sergeants instructed their respective commands in the manual of arms. At 9 o'clock the battalion was formed in eight companies of eight files front, and the following movements were executed: Marching in line, by flank and column; formation from column of companies into line in two movements, &c. The drill was in general well performed. Company I in this command, Capt. Heinzman commanding, held a ball at Germania Assembly Rooms last evening. The company assembled in full uniform at 8 P. M., under general orders from the commander, and held a parade and inspection previous to the introduction of dancing.

The First Troop Washington Greys, Capt. L. T. Barker commanding, held a contest for a number of valuable prizes at Creedmoor, Long Island, on Thursday. The first prize, a silver service, was awarded to Capt. L. T. Baker; second prize, a gold medal, to private A. T. Decker; third prize, to Lieut. J. Rizell; fourth prize, to private J. E. King; fifth prize, to Ex-Capt. D. D. Wylie. The following is a list of the best scores:

Names.	Scores.									Total.
Capt. L. T. Baker	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3—29
Private A. T. Decker	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	3—29
Lieut. J. Rizell	3	2	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	3—27
Private J. E. King	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	3	4	3—26
Capt. D. D. Wylie	2	3	4	2	2	3	2	3	2	3—25
Private A. H. Fuller	2	2	4	2	2	3	3	3	3	3—24
Private J. J. Muldoon	0	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3—24
Private H. B. Kelsey	2	3	3	2	4	2	2	2	0	3—24
Private J. S. Huff	2	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	3—25
Private Meagre	0	2	3	4	2	2	3	2	2	2—22
Private Norcross	2	3	3	4	2	2	2	2	3	0—22
Corporal Truman	0	2	0	2	3	2	4	4	3	3—22
Private Dwyer	2	2	2	4	2	0	2	4	2	3—21
Corporal A. H. Howland	0	0	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	3—20
Sergt. Wilson	0	2	3	4	2	2	2	2	0	3—20
Major Kent	2	3	4	0	3	2	3	2	0	2—19

The following officers were commissioned during the month of October: Third Division Lieut. Col. Henry M. Alden, Inspector of Rifle Practice. Nineteenth Brigade—Major Frederick P. Brooks, Engineer; Capt. Alexander Ross, Inspector of Rifle Practice. Washington Gray Troop Cavalry—Lorenzo T. Baker, Captain. Battery K, First Division—George Hamann, First Lieutenant; Theodore Doench, Second Lieutenant. First Battalion—Eli J. Bourke, Second Lieutenant; J. Martin Picabia, Captain. Fifth Regiment—Henry Kraft, Second Lieutenant. Sixth Regiment—Daniel Ziegler, Captain; Adolph Leffler, First Lieutenant. Eleventh Regiment—John Quenzer, Second Lieutenant; William Hauser, Captain; James Bohler, Captain; Julius Wohlleben, First Lieutenant. Fourteenth Regiment—Timothy C. Mayner, Captain. Sixteenth Battalion—Matthew H. Ellis, Captain. Twenty-second Regiment—George T. Bunker, Second Lieutenant. Twenty-third Regiment—Rufus F. Zogbaum, Captain; Thomas J. Stevens, First Lieutenant; Harris K. Smith, Second Lieutenant. Twenty-fifth Regiment—Charles Gould, Captain; Christian Frischknecht, Second Lieutenant. Fifty-fourth Regiment—D. O'Neil, Captain. Fifty-fifth Regiment—Major Guilford R. Morse, Surgeon. Sixty-ninth Regiment—John J. Carten, First Lieutenant. Seventy-first Regiment—Edward A. McAlpine, Captain; William D. Farris, Second Lieutenant. Seventy-ninth Regiment—Joseph Laing, Lieutenant Colonel. Eighty-fourth Regiment—David H. Lamport, Second Lieutenant.

The Fifth Regiment, Col. Charles S. Spencer commanding, has been directed to assemble in fatigue uniform, for drill and instruction, by wings, at the State Arsenal, corner Thirty-fifth street and Seventh avenue, on the following evenings: Right wing, comprising Companies F, H, E, and A, on Tuesday, Dec. 1. Left wing, comprising Companies B, I; C, K, and D, on Thursday, Dec. 10. Roll call of companies at the arsenal at 7:45 P. M. on both occasions. Field and staff officers will report to the commandant; non-commissioned staff, field music, general guides, and one color Sergeant to the Adjutant, on both dates at 8 o'clock P. M. The commanding officer of A Company is directed to detail, at the drill of the right wing, one Corporal and two privates, to report to the Sergeant Major, at the State Arsenal, at 7:30 P. M., for guard duty; and also two privates to act as markers. The commanding officer of K Company will make a similar detail at the drill of the left wing. The uniforms and equipments of this command will be inspected by companies as follows: Companies B, H, and E on Monday, Nov. 23; Companies A, D, and C, on Tuesday, Nov. 24; Companies I and K on Wednesday, Nov. 25; field music and non-commissioned staff, on Friday, Nov. 27. The Colonel commanding requests a full attendance at the inspections, as the report of the board will have a material influence upon the question of the adoption of new uniforms, and the alteration of those lately issued. The division drill of Companies D and C, ordered to be held on the 24th inst. has been countermanded. The resignations of Second Lieut. Frederick Radunz and Capt. Louis Ploeger, of Company C, have been accepted. Henry Kraft has been commissioned Second Lieutenant of Company I. Sergt. Frederick Hinkenschloss, of Company C, has been reduced to the ranks for disobedience of orders and neglect of duty. The drill ordered in Company E on Dec. 7 has been countermanded. A Board of Survey has been appointed in this command, composed of the following officers: Lieut. Col. Krieger, Quartermaster George S. Leland, Capts. Koss and Lamb.

THE RECENT EXPLOSION AT HELL GATE.

The causes of the explosion of the boiler of the tug-boat Lily in Hell Gate, on Tuesday last, were the subject of an inquiry yesterday by the United States Steam-boat Inspectors. The testimony taken yesterday was almost entirely corroborative of the statements made by THE TIMES on the day after the accident. The witnesses examined were George S. Warren, the engineer of the Lily; Michael Lannigan and Edward L. Bagley, boilers-makers, who made the repairs to the boilers of the Lily after her sale by Mr. Townsend to Capt. Havens, and Mr. George S. Townsend, of No. 386 South street, himself. The only really important fact developed by the inquiry, in addition to those already published, was given in the evidence of Mr. Bagley, who testified that he observed on one occasion after the boat had been turned over to her new owners that her safety-valve was weighted down. It being impossible, owing to the death of Capt. Havens, and others of the crew of the wrecked vessel, to obtain any more definite evidence as to the cause of the disaster, the investigation was closed.

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Tuesday, 17th..... 2:00 P. M.	Monday, 16th, 11:00 A. M.
Thursday, 19th... 2:00 P. M.	Wednesday, 18th, 1:00 P. M.
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Monday, 23d..... 9:30 P. M.	Monday, 23d..... 7:00 A. M.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK TO THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1873.

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR, Nos. 115 AND 117 NASSAU ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1874.

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New-York:

The Public Administrator in the City of New-York,

CASES HERETOFORE REPORTED.

Name.	Occupation.	Place of residence at time of death.	Country or place from which he came, if he were not a resident of this State at the time of his death.	Money received for commissions and expenses.	Money received from sales of effects.	Total amount of receipts.	Total amount of expenditures.
Josephus P. Miller	Merchant						$760 45
Charles Archoe	Cigar-maker	New-York	China				1 05
Edward Riley	Unknown	Baltimore	Ireland				1 05
Albert Fabin	Seaman	At sea	Unknown				1 05
Jacobina Probst	None	New-York	Germany				22 35
William Gregory	Tanner	New-York	Ireland				138 87
Christian Dressel	Cabinet-maker	New-York	Germany				249 40
Winfred Dolan	Domestic	At sea	Ireland				635 85
Ann Wales	Cook	New-York	New-York				1 05
Sarah Niederman	Dress-maker	New-York	England				10 07
James Gallagher	Clerk	Rockaway, L.I.	New-York				1 05
William C. Keene	Marble-cutter	St. Vincent Hos.	New-York				1 05
Frederick Sanford	Seaman	At sea	New-York				76 41
John Bernard	Tailor	France	New-York			$2,009 45	1 00
Catherine Hurley	Domestic	New-York	Ireland				1,372 54
John Whingates	Miner	New-York	England				1 05
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CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The St. Stephen's Ladies' Fair will be continued this week.

The arrests by the Police during the past week numbered 1,927.

The steamships Hohenstauffer, Baltic, and Colon took out yesterday 57,100 letters and 60 bags of papers.

The annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society will be held on Tuesday next, the 24th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., at the Metropolitan National Bank.

Treasury Agents Howe and Brackett, assisted by Inspector Fiedler, seized 4,000 smuggled cigars from corner Twelfth street and Fourth avenue yesterday.

Rev. David B. Purten, Pastor of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, will preach this morning and evening, and cordially invites strangers to worship at his church.

At 7 o'clock yesterday morning a fire occurred on the fourth floor of No. 41 Greene street, occupied by Felix De Martin as a steam-fitting shop. Damage, $25.

It is proposed to give a Thanksgiving dinner to the 200 colored orphan children at the asylum, One Hundred and Forty-third street and Boulevard. Donations of money and food are solicited.

Rev. William R. Alger, of Boston, will preach this morning and evening at the Church of the Messiah, corner Park avenue and Thirty-fourth street. Morning subject—"The Open Door."

At noon yesterday a fire occurred on the second floor of the building No. 136 East Thirteenth street, occupied by Amrust Walter, book-binder. Damage to building and contents, $250.

Twelve applications for licenses, with fees aggregating $480, were received by the Excise Department during the week ending yesterday. All were reported on favorably by the Commissioners.

A newly-organized party under Col. I. C. Lane is about to start from this City to continue the work of exploration and survey commenced some two years ago by the Palestine Exploration Society, in co-operation with a society in England.

Daniel O'Connell, aged thirty-five, of One Hundred and Fifteenth street and First avenue, fell into an open sewer, yesterday, at Ninety-second street and First avenue, and sustained serious injuries.

The matriculated students at the New-York Free Medical College for Women number thus far, for the present term, thirty-seven. Dr. F. R. Marvin is endeavoring to introduce the graded system of instruction.

The Board of Apportionment yesterday authorized the Controller to issue $200,000 worth of assessment bonds for the Department of Public Works, and stock to the amount of $100,000 for the Museum of Art and Natural History.

There were reported at the Bureau of Vital Statistics during the past week 521 deaths, 457 births, and 167 marriages, showing a decrease of 22 deaths, 33 births, and 49 marriages, as compared with the preceding week.

The Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company's steamer Colon sailed yesterday for Aspinwall, with 461 passengers and 1,020 tons of freight. The books of the company show an unusually large increase of business at this time over that of last year at the same season.

Harris Miner, aged twenty-one, residing at No. 471 West Twenty-second street, while getting on a train on the Elevated Railroad in Ninth avenue, yesterday, between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets, fell from the track, and striking on the sidewalk sustained serious injuries.

During the week which ended yesterday 2,216 emigrants arrived at Castle Garden, of whom 360 were Mennovites, on their way from Russia to Dakota. The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Emigration will be held at 2 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday next.

A lecture will be given at Steinway Hall on Tuesday evening of this week, by Wallace Bruce, Esq., in aid of the Burns Monument fund. Subject, "Robert Burns." The monument is almost completed at Edinburgh, and will probably be unveiled in Central Park next July or August.

In yesterday's TIMES appeared a statement to the effect that Brother Cronin of the De La Salle Institute, had been charged with beating a boy named Philip Sterne, a pupil of the institute, in a severe manner. The reverend Brother, who is director of the institute mentioned, denies that any such charge was made, and further states that no such occurrence took place in the institution over which he presides.

BROOKLYN.

The Police made 484 arrests during the past week.

Samuel S. Powell, the Controller elect, took the usual oath of office yesterday.

A large number of indictments were brought in yesterday by the Court of Sessions Grand Jury.

At the recent fair held in the Academy of Music for the benefit of the Protestant Brooklyn Orphan Asylum, $6,000 was realized.

Two cases of small-pox, which the friends of the patients tried to conceal from the authorities, came to the knowledge of the Board of Health during the past week.

For 1873 the tax levy was $7,869,667 88, and of that sum $6,230 229 11 has been collected, leaving an uncollected balance of $1,639,438 77. The tax receipts during the past week were $34,653 17.

William Muir, who was arrested on Friday, charged with having in his possession a bond stolen from Mr. John J. Moutford, of New Utrecht, was yesterday admitted to bail in $2,000 by Justice Walsh.

At a meeting of the Board of Assessors yesterday, resolutions were passed directing the completion of the Gowanus Canal assessment. The assessment is $456,191 28, of which $85,782 30 is to be levied on the city at large.

Work was commenced yesterday on a one-story extension which is to be built at the rear of the Brooklyn Post Office. The addition will cost about $4,500, and will, it is expected, be completed by the 1st of January.

The annual union festival and bazaar for the benefit of the Brooklyn Howard Colored Orphan Asylum, will be held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings of next week, in the Lyceum Building on Washington street.

An entrance was effected on Friday evening by burglars into the house of Mr. Wagner, at No. 460 Washington avenue, and $500 worth of property carried away. The robbery was committed while the family were engaged in the lower part of the house at their evening meal.

Eliza Jackson, the colored woman who was found in a vacant lot in McDougal street, on the 10th inst., without any covering whatever, and bearing on her body the marks of a terrible beating, died last evening at No. 200 Marion street. Three men are under arrest for assaulting Mrs. Jackson.

George A. McClelland, convicted of bigamy in the Court of Sessions on Friday, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Moore to one year in the Penitentiary. John W. Sherman, convicted of forgery on two indictments, was sentenced by the same Judge to four years and six months in the Penitentiary on the first, and three years on the second.

Mrs. Ann Mullen, of No. 17 Dry Dock street, New York, left her home on Monday morning to visit some friends on Tenth street. Since that time she has not been heard of. The body of a woman answering her description was found floating in the water near the Navy-yard cob dock on Wednesday morning. It was taken to the Morgue, and yesterday, Mrs. Mullen's husband visited that institution for the purpose of identifying the remains. He was accompanied by several friends who knew Mrs. Mullen, and at once identified the body as hers. Mullen, however, who has been married twenty years, thought the body was like that of his wife, but could not positively identify the remains as hers.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

A drum-fish weighing fifty pounds was captured in the Hudson River, opposite Yonkers, a few days ago.

Justice Edmonds, of Mount Vernon, has returned to the Treasurer of Westchester County $230 as fines received by him during the year.

The first and second nines of the Confidence Base Ball Club, of New-Rochelle, will play a match game on their grounds on Thanksgiving Day.

The rubber works at Tuckahoe are now in full blast. Upwards of 100 hands are now employed, and they are working at night to fill the orders on hand.

Six ladies, while attending a funeral at Mamaroneck, Friday, were relieved of their pocket-books, evidently by some one or more of their own sex.

The semi-annual races of the Wakefield Jockey Club are announced for Thursday next—Thanksgiving Day. There will be three races, a running race, a trot, and a handicap race.

Protection Hose Company No. 1, of West Mount Vernon, has been organized with the following officers: Charles Schwartz, Foreman; George [illegible], Assistant; Henry Doepel, Treasurer.

A number of the leading lawyers of Yonkers have organized an association to be known as the [illegible] with the following officers: [illegible]

Susan P. Saunders, President; John M. Mason, Vice President; Theodore Fitch, Secretary; Ralph B. Prime, Treasurer; James P. Saunders, Theodore Fitch, Ralph B. Prime, and Matt. H. Ellis, Trustees. The organization is modeled after the Bar Association of New-York, and its objects are to exercise a judicious censorship over the profession, assist in the due administration of justice, and promote social and friendly relations.

At a meeting of citizens of New-Rochelle it was decided to maintain a special police force for that village by voluntary service of citizens to serve at stated periods. The names of about fifty persons were enrolled, the majority of whom are property owners, and some of the most influential residents of the place. The village will be divided into districts, with a certain number of citizens assigned to each.

STATEN ISLAND.

Mr. George A. Middlehook, of Port Richmond, has been appointed by the Supervising Justices and Town Clerk of Northfield as Justice of the Peace, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of his father, and has already been sworn into office.

The County Court, Judge Metcalfe presiding, will convene at Richmond, on Tuesday next, with a petit jury, for the trial of civil causes carried over from the last regular term, and new causes on appeals from decisions of Justices of the Peace.

The chicken-roosts about Clifton are again suffering from the depredations of thieves. On Friday night several of the chicken-houses in the outskirts of the village were entirely stripped. It is supposed that several persons who are going the rounds pretending to be purchasing chickens, and who are shown the places where they are kept, return at night, and commit the depredations complained of.

LONG ISLAND.

The Hempstead and Rockaway Railroad, which is operating as a branch of the Southern Railroad, from Valley Stream to Hempstead, has been sold at auction, with all its rolling stock and appurtenances, to the Brooklyn Trust Company, for the benefit of the bond-holders, for $50,000. The ownership of the road has been in dispute, but as this purchase gives the bond-holders a clear title, it is probable that they will soon make a favorable sale of the property to the Southern Railroad Company, which has already purchased all right and title to the Hempstead and New-York Railroad for $50, over and above all liabilities. The latter road has its western terminus at Bay Ridge, and considerable work in grading, &c., has already been done upon it.

The dedication of the First Methodist Church, formerly the Old church, at Rockville Centre, will take place to-day. Rev. Alexander Clark, of Pittsburg, Penn., editor of the *Methodist Recorder*, will preach the sermon, and Rev. J. J. Smith and other well-known ministers will take part in the services. The church is capable of accommodating about 800 persons. Devotional meetings will be continued during the week. The question of having music in their services has for some time been under discussion by the members of the society, but they have finally decided in favor of music by a vote of 101 to 43.

NEW-JERSEY.

The damage done to Stengel & Son's patent leather works, in Newark, by the fire of Friday night, was $10,000.

Edward Kelly, the Newark barkeeper charged with manslaughter in having fatally injured a man by pushing him off a stoop, was yesterday admitted to bail.

A monument to the memory of McCarthy, the brave engineer who was killed at the Erie fire two years ago, was yesterday placed over his remains in the New-York Bay Cemetery.

A man who gave his name as William J. Wood, entered Hessler's jewelry store on Broad street, Newark, Friday, and while waiting to have a ring repaired, seized a gold watch and ran away. He was arrested and is held for trial.

Edward Schwinger, a clerk in the employ of John Van Glaher, a Hoboken grocer, was arrested in Hoboken last evening, charged with having robbed the till in the store. When searched, $108 41 was found on him. He confessed that the whole of the money had been stolen from the drawer. He was committed for trial.

Samuel J. Derrickson, the lawyer who was committed to jail by Recorder Bohnestedt, of Hoboken, a few days ago for disorderly conduct, was before Judge Bedle yesterday praying for discharge on the ground that his commitment was irregular. Judge Bedle refused to discharge him and he was sent back to jail.

Counsel made application yesterday before Judge Bedle to vacate the orders of arrest granted against Nathan Aaronson, the absconding merchant, now in the Tombs, who recently gave bail to answer several charges of swindling preferred by New-York firms. Judge Bedle set aside three of the affidavits and reserved decision on four others.

Burglars operated extensively in and around Newark, Friday night. From the residence of Mr. Fulling, in Irvington, they took clothing worth $75. The residence of Rev. Mr. Buren, in the same village, was also entered, but nothing was taken. An attempt was also made to enter the store of John McLaughlan, in Newark, but the men were frightened off before they had effected an entrance.

Some days ago J. P. Brookwein was defrauded out of $270 by some confidence operators in Hoboken, who gave him some bundles of lead upon the representation that they contained gold coin. Aid Reugi, last evening, arrested Henry Augustine and Charles Bernette on suspicion of having done the swindling. Brookwein failed to identify them. Detective Heidelberg identified them as parties wanted in New-York, and they are held.

SERIOUS RESULT OF A FAMILY QUARREL.

Mary Ann Kinsella, an Irishwoman, aged forty, was found yesterday at her residence, No. 509 Eleventh avenue, suffering from serious injuries alleged to have been received at the hands of her husband, Michael Kinsella. It appears that about three weeks ago the woman, who is of very intemperate habits, had a quarrel with her husband, during which, it is asserted, her husband threw her against a stove. The injuries she received, through want of proper treatment, threaten to prove dangerous, and the woman was taken to Bellevue Hospital. Her husband was arrested and will be taken to court to-morrow.

PASSENGERS SAILED.

In steam-ship City of London, for Liverpool.—T. Shires, Mrs. T. Shires, Sister Mary Xavier, Sister Baptista Xavier, Miss Sarah Ryan, H. Glass, Dr. Stern, B. S. Soper, Capt. E. D. P. Nicols, Mrs. E. D. P. Nicols, A. Biando, Simon Smoyer, M. Lebrun, William Lowry, Frank Cassin, Jr., H. B. Jackson, Alf. Connors, William H. Purcell, Mrs. William H. Purcell, C. G. Dixon, George Stevenson, J. M. Laffin, John Cattell, Richard Krause, Mrs. Mosher and child.

In steam-ship Baltic, for Liverpool.—W. B. Thornburgh, Mrs. Thornburgh, Thornburgh Cropper, Mrs. Cropper, maid and man servants, A. D. Allen, Mrs. A. F. Allen, Mrs. James Black, David Skirving, A. B. Adams, R. W. Hasner and friend, F. T. Daniel, W. Hastings Hughes, Charles M. Caughy, Bishop Odenheimer, Mrs. Odenheimer, Edward Heylyn, Mrs. Heylyn, Mrs. M. N. Shearman, Mrs. O. B. Northrup, Mrs. Mary K. Stobo, Miss Jessie L. Northrup, Miss Agnes R. Northrup, J. H. Murray, H. Hiramoto, Charles Magee, R. Hutchinson, David Nagle, James O'Donnell, R. H. Rhodes, Mrs. Rhodes, Miss Rhodes, Master Heaton Rhodes, Miss Edith Rhodes, Miss Amy Rhodes, Master George Rhodes, Miss Emily Rhodes, Master William Rhodes, R. H. Rhodes, Jr., Miss McNeill, maid and man servant, George E. Partridge, Jr., T. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Johnson, Rev. George D. Johnson, Henry Bentley, Mrs. Bentley, S. S. Ketcham, A. H. Tolman, Mrs. A. H. Tolman, C. F. W. Yergens, C. J. Bilven, A. B. Flint, Charles R. Wilson, George Law, Dr. Spence, C. W. Foster, Mrs. C. W. Foster, Thomas Jones, Charles Dennis, W. Rowland, Henry Simpson, F. Heurtevant, Joshua H. Elliot, G. M. Ogilve, J. Thomas, G. H. Cook, Joel Ackford, C. C. Seaman, P. Brady, F. Banks, wife, and infant, Charles W. Stein, J. Gossom, James H. Carter, D. Storer, Mr. Young, J. Wendell Cole, L. D. Newell, W. G. Robinson, H. R. Kidd, R. B. Falconer, S. W. Terry, Miss E. H. Gibson, Miss I. Jones, Mrs. Hall Lockhart, Miss McAllister, Miss Edith McAllister, A. M. E. Gesnelli, Morris Barnewall, H. C. Adams, Jr.

In steam-ship Italy, for Liverpool.—John Lawson, B. Stockford, Alexander Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. Bliss, Miss Jennie Bliss, Mrs. Harvey and child, Miss Serridge, Fred. Varnly, Orville H. Hayes, Edwin S. Hills and wife, Sylvanus C. Bowman, A. M. Drew.

In steam-ship Hohenstaufen, for Bremen.—Hermann Rose, Mrs. Hermann Rose, Goold Hoyt, William Henry, T. G. Coit, Dr. Robert Treadwell, Karl Schroeder, Julio Valencien, Mrs. Julio Valencien and child, Mrs. Julia Robinson, Miss Virginia Robinson, Charles Robinson, F. Demartini, Louis Weinschenk, Theodor Korner, Joseph Lindorf, Gerhard Loosdhey, Mrs. Rueda Andersen and child, Henry Nerlich, Mrs. Johanna Sturke, Master Joh. Sturke, Kasper Gehring, Mrs. Kasper Gehring, Mrs. Barbara Mangold, Hugo Meyer, Mrs. J. C. Wadsworth, Mrs. Sandford Sprague, Salomon Levy, Mrs. John Hardy, Mrs. Minna Movius and child, Heinrich Dosch, Ernst Dosch.

In steam-ship San Salvador, for Savannah.—A. S. North and wife, W. A. Mitchell, S. Mitchell, Mrs. Stephen Schott, Miss Madgie Lewis, Jas. P. Fellow, Willie H. Pellow, W. H. Pellow and wife, Miss Minnie Fellow, Miss M. S. Sefton, John Fragg, Bernard Fischer, Mrs. M. E. Horsford, Miss Horsford, Capt. John Smith, J. F. Monroe, A. B. Jube, Mrs. C. Y. Lay, two infants, child, and two servants, J. S. Schultz, R. G. Ley, Mrs. Witchcock, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. J. H. Gates and child, Miss Annie McEnery, Mrs. M. L. Landon, Miller Harris, John McLaughlin, A. Schwartz, E. Landon, Miss Bessie Porter, Mrs. Bennett, F. W. Ring, W. F. Bennett, Mrs. M. Fitzgibbons, Mrs. J. Cheesebrough, James Bowman, H. Q. Gilzie, Miss M. Hovey, Miss C. M. Hovey, Miss Mary Binney and servant, Miss Florence Binney, P. Kemble Paulding, W. G. Binney and wife, Miss E. R. Peaster, Mary E. Lincoln, Miss C. Baker, Miss M. Lacurtes, William Girdwood, J. M. P. Ross, J. Cortes, W. S. Dodge and wife, Henry R. Engleman, J. P. Jones, G. Johnson, J. Curtis, L. Bingham, John Linahan, P. Ryall, P. Liddie, John Wadley, John Punble, John Dowd, George Corbett, Hugh Montgomery.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.....6:54 | Sun sets.....4:37 | Moon sets...5:27

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook..8:00 | Gov. Island...8:49 | Hell Gate...8:11

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK.....SATURDAY, Nov. 21.

CLEARED.

Steam-ships Hohenstaufen, (Ger.,) Franke, Bremen, via Queenstown; Cimbria & Co; City of London, (Br.,) Wood, Liverpool, via Queenstown; A. G. Dale; Arago, (Br.,) Symonds, Bristol; Eng., W. D. Morgan; Switzerland, (Swiss.,) Jackson, Liverpool; George W. Collins; Cortes, Francisco, New-Orleans; Clark & Nor-

man; Baltic, (Br.,) Kennedy, Liverpool, via Queenstown; R. J. Cortis; Italy, (Br.,) Thomson, Liverpool, via Queenstown; E. W. J. Hurst; Colon, Tanner, Aspinwall, Pacific Mail Steamship Co; State of Texas, Bolger, Galveston, via Key West; C. H. Mallory & Co.; Western Metropolis, Quick, New-Orleans; F. Baker; San Salvador, Nickerson, Savannah, William R. Garrison; Champion, Lockwood, Charleston; J. W. Quintard & Co.; Richmond, Reed, Norfolk, City Point, and Richmond, Old Dominion Steamship Co; R. C. Knight, Chichester, Georgetown, D. C.; J. C. Kenyon & Co.; Chesapeake, Mangum, Portland, Me.; J. F. Ames; General Whitney, Hallett, Boston, H. F. Dimock; George Cromwell, Bacon, Portland, Me.; Clark & Seaman; North Point, Smith, Philadelphia; Lorillard Steam-ship Co.; Regulator, Faircloth, Savannah, Ga., R. Lowden; A. C. Stimers, Warren, Philadelphia, J. Hand.

Ship Springfield, Dwight, San Francisco, Simonson & Howes.

Barks Anna A. Rich, Rich, Marseilles, Bird, Perkins & Job; Figlia Accome, (Ital.,) Pinoncello, Cork or Falmouth for orders, Funch, Edye & Co.; August Marie, (Ger.,) Graus, Salonica, Funch, Edye & Co.; Apotheke Deising, (Ger.,) Segebarth, Naples, Funch, Edye & Co.; Guiseppe Emmaticle, (Ital.,) Cicione, Waterford, J. Benham; Gallino Bonsignore, (Ital.,) Bonsignore, Limerick, Slocovich & Co.; O. R. Brackett, Gilchrist, Norfolk, S., A. Hennessey; Triumph, (Norw.,) Stianson, London, I. Benham.

Schr. Matilda, (Br.,) Hammond, Tampico, J. W. Wilson & Co.

ARRIVED.

Steam-ship Achilles, Tupper, Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 18, with naval stores, &c., to Wm. P. Clyde & Co.

Steam-ship Gulf Stream, Crowell, Charleston 3 ds., with mdse. and passengers to J. W. Quintard & Co.

Steam-ship Hermann, (Ger.,) Reichmann, Bremen Nov. 7, and Southampton 10th, with mdse. and passengers to Oelrichs & Co.

Ship Duleep Singh, (of Liverpool,) Williams, Calcutta July 23, with mdse. to R. J. Cortis. Passed Cape of Good Hope Sept. 15, St. Helena Oct. 4, and crossed the Equator 16th, in lon. 30°; had strong westerly gales off the Cape for 14 ds., and has had N. E. gales from lat. 30 N.

Ship Elcano, of Newburyport, Brown, Calcutta, Aug. 6, with mdse. to Lunt Bros.; passed Cape of Good Hope Oct. 19, and crossed the Equator 30th, in lon. 26° 38', has had fine weather. Oct. 16, off the Cape, spoke ship Armetta, (Br.,) from Calcutta, for New York; same day spoke bark Kate Carnie, (Br.,) from Whampoa, for do.

Ship Black Hawk, Baker, San Francisco, July 29, with mdse. to Sutton & Co.; vessel to George Howes.

Bark Meteor, (of Greenock,) Irving, Pernambuco 27 ds., with sugar to order—vessel to R. P. Currie & Co. Sld. in company with bark Hebe, (Br.,) for New-York, and brig Water Witch, for Delaware Breakwater; crossed the Equator Oct. 28, in lon. 40 10.

Bark Friedrich Heartvig, (Ger.,) Wolters, Fall River, in ballast to master; will load for Singapore.

Brig Village Belle, Hollis, of and 12 days from Bermuda, in ballast to Darrell & Co.

Schr. Jesse Carll, (of Brookhaven,) Underhill, Para, 24 days, with rubber to Burdett & Pond—vessel to B. J. Weinberg. Has had strong N. E. gales the last 14 days; lost jibboom and jib, and split sails.

Schr. Mary Louisa, Gaskell, Washington, N. C., 5 days, with naval stores to Zophar Mills.

Schr. Oulna, (Br.,) Berry, Windsor, N. S., 8 ds., with plaster to C. W. Bertaux.

Schr. J. W. Coffin, Chandler, Machias, with lumber to Simpson, Clapp & Co.

Schr. Annie Elisabeth, Brown, Charleston 10 ds., with naval stores to Potter, Rudrow & Co.—vessel to Bentley, Gildersleeve & Co.

Schr. Louise P. Maliory, Stetson, Savannah 8 ds., with lumber to Mowe, Cole & Benson—vessel to Bentley, Gildersleeve & Co.

Schr. David Collins, Townsend, Alexandria, with coal to Overton & Hawkins.

Schr. Mary H. Stockham, Leeds, Georgetown, S. C., with shingles to Overton & Hawkins. Will discharge at Sandy Hook.

Schr. Snow Flake, Brown, Virginia.

Schr. Thomas R. Woolley, Bailey, Virginia.

Schr. Velma, Bunker, Addison, with lumber to Simpson, Clapp & Co.

Schr. Emma, Fitch, Nantucket, with fish to Moon & Lanphear.

Schr. sarah Louisa, Badger, New-Bedford.

Schr. Mary Stowe, Bacon, Potrland.

Schr. Bertha, Connors, Boston.

Schr. H. A. Deming, Boardman, Portland.

Schr. Jacob Raymond, Brown, Boston.

Schr. T. C. Lyman, Hill, New-Haven.

Schr. Geo. Sherman, Eaton, Portland, Conn.

Schr. M. G. Griffith, Smith, Portland, Conn.

Schr. Post Boy, Fonda, New-Rochelle.

Schr. Nicanor, Hogan, Providence.

Schr. Joseph Maran, Stokes, Fall River.

Schr. Vapor, Corson, Fall River.

Schr. Expedite, Rackett, Pawtucket.

Schr. Look-out, Fry, Warren, R. I.

Schr. Carlota, Bentley, Wellfleet, for Virginia.

Schr. Celeste, Crowell, New-Haven, for Virginia.

Schr. Geo. King, Foster, Norwalk, for Virginia.

Schr. Meteor, Johnson, Boston, for Philadelphia.

Schr. S. L. Simmons, Gandy, Fall River, for Baltimore.

WIND.—Sundown, light, W. N. W., clear.

SAILED.

Steam-ships Switzerland, for Antwerp; Hohenstaufen, for Bremen; Baltic and Italy, for Liverpool; Colon, for Aspinwall; State of Texas, for Galveston; Cortes and Western Metropolis, for New-Orleans; San Salvador, for Savannah; Champion, for Charleston; Regulator, for Savannah; Richmond, for Richmond; K. C. Kulgut, for Georgetown, D. C.; Fanita, for Philadelphia; Geo. Cromwell, for Portland; ship Cornelius Grinnell, for London; barks San Pietro, for Bristol; Apotheke Diesslag, for Gibraltar; James E. Ward, for Havana; Evelyn, for Halifax.

BY TELEGRAPH.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 21.—Arr. steamer Ashland, Baker, Havana.

Cld. steamers McClellan, March, Providence; Tuckahoe, Brown, Newbern, N. C.; Wm. Whildin, Riggin, Philadelphia; bark Wasa, Holberg, Amsterdam; brig Jens Hentze, (Dan.,) Hansen, Bristol, Eng.; schr. Wm. L. Franklin, Seward, Seaman, N. Y.

APPONANG, Nov. 20.—Sld. schr. Harriet Thomas, Georgetown.

21st.—Arr. schrs. Sunbeam, Calais, Me.; Hattie V. Kelsey, (new,) New-Haven.

Below, bark Aquidneck, Rio.

Cld. steamer F. H. Odiorne, Providence.

BANGOR.—Sld. 20th, bark Minnesota, Philadelphia; schrs. Carrie E. Woodbury, New-York; New-Zealand, Honest Abe, and Excel, Boston.

BOSTON, Nov. 21.—Arr. steamers Aries, Whelden, from Philadelphia; Neptune, Berry, from New-York; bark Western Sea, Hanson, from Malaga; brig Nellie Hastings, Hallet, from Java via Philadelphia; schrs. Isabel L. Pierce, Freeman, from Deal's Island; William Baisley, Brown, from do.; H. Atwood, Foster, from Tanjier; Bill Stowe, Manson, from Baltimore; R. & S. Corson, Corson, from Philadelphia.

BOSTON, Nov. 21.—Cld. steamers The Queen, Liverpool via New-York; Ontario, do., via Norfolk; Alhambra, Halifax; City of Portland, St. John; Flag, Charleston; Wm. Crane, Baltimore and Norfolk; Norman, Philadelphia; schrs. R. W. Hall, New-Orleans; Rehoboth, Georgetown; Rescue and Wm. Gillum, New-York via Cape Ann; Charles Sawyer, Port au Prince; Florence, St. Pierre.

Also arr. schr. Bill Stowe, Manson Baltimore.

Cld. steamer Glaucus, Bearse, New-York.

Sld. steamers, Samaria, Alhambra, and Geo. Appold; ship Anna Decatur; barks Louise, Regina, Baleria, Kate Wilhanns, and from the Roads Eva H. Fuke.

BRISTOL, Nov. 19.—Arr. schr. Amos Falkenburg, Philadelphia.

Sld. schr. W. H. Billings, Calais.

Arr. 20th, schr. W. H. Bowen, New-York.

Sld. schr. Wm. F. Burden, New-York.

CHARLESTON, Nov. 21.—Sld. steamer Mercidita, Boston; barks Maria Helen, (Br.,) Liverpool; Helen, Liverpool; Norsk Veritas, Cork for orders; schr. Sophia Godfrey, Boston.

FALL RIVER, Nov. 19.—Arr. schr. Lizzie Cowperthwaite, Georgetown, D. C.; Breeze and Cloud, Trenton.

Arr. 20th, brig Wm. Mallory, Galveston.

KEY WEST, Nov. 8.—In port, brig Maggie Vail, from Jamaica, for Delaware Breakwater.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—Arr. schr. Jennie B. Giekey, Gardiner; J. Rime, Provincetown.

LIVERPOOL, N. S.—Arr. 19th, brig Glenora, (Br.,) Providence.

MYSTIC, Nov. 20.—Arr. schr. F. A. Pike, Calais.

MOOREHEAD CITY, Nov. 21.—Schr. Ann Pambo, from New River, for Baltimore, sunk off Bogue Inlet, the 17th, with general cargo.

NEW HAVEN, Nov. 20.—Arr. schrs. Tabitha and Hannah, New York; Bronfard and Phœbe Elizabeth, do.; Silas Brainard, Portland.

NEW LONDON, Nov. 20.—Arr. brig Francis Lewy, from Charleston, with cotton for Providence.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—Arr. up, steamers City of Houston, Alice, and Tabasco; bark Carmine (Sp.), Havana.

Cld. steamers Yazoo, Philadelphia; Wilmington, Baltimore. Bark Comtesse, Havre. Schr. Excelsior, Ruatan.

PASS A LA OUTRE, Nov. 21.—Arr. steamer Knickerbocker, New York; United States steamer Blake.

Sld. ship Canterbury, Mobile; bark Neptune, (Ger.,) do.

NEWPORT.—Arr. 20th, schrs. Susan, Brookline for Baltimore; Cassie Jamieson, Baltimore for Portland; Susan Rose, Wiscasset; Mary J. Adams, Bangor; J. P. Robinson, Gloucester for Philadelphia; Virginia, Rockland for New-York; Omaha, Bangor for Norwalk; John James, Belfast for Baltimore.

PENSACOLA, Nov. 21.—Arr. bark Nymphan, Belfast; ship Dagmar, (Br.,) Greenock.

Cld. schr. Hannah F. Baker, Providence; brig G. F. Gary, Philadelphia.

TYBEE, Ga., Nov. 21.—Arr. ship Bessie, Crosby, (Br.,) Falmouth.

PICTOU, N. S., Nov. 21.—Arr. bark George Eason, New-York.

NEW-ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—Arr. steam-ship Knickerbocker, from New-York.

FORTRESS MONROE, Va., Nov. 21.—Passed in for Baltimore steamer Ashland, Havana; bark Aquidneck, Rio.

Passed out barks Jessy, Liverpool; Frednero, Cork; brigs John Wesley, Rio; David Bugbee and L. Staples, Genoa.

Sld. bark Florence, Rio.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 21.—Arr. steamer Fanita, New-York; brig Clara and Agnes, (Br.,) Demarara; schrs. Lizzie B. Bragg, Portland; Benj. Cartside, Boston; J. K. Howard, St. John, N. B.; C. E. Jackson, Portsmouth; J. W. Bartlett, Boston; Lucy, Windsor; Thos. Clyde Boston; M. H. Pond, do.; Stormy Petrel, Blue Hill—steamer Champion, Boston.

Below, schr. Chas. S. Rogers, Rockport.

Cld., schrs. Alice B., A. F. Chase, I. W. Hall, and Mary G. Farr, Boston; Annie May, East Cambridge; W. Wiley, Charleston; E. B. Emery, Chelsea; steamers Juniata, Havana and New-Orleans; Virginia, Charleston; Mary, Providence; Lancaster, New-Orleans; bark Ocean Traveller, Gibraltar; schrs. M. R. W., St. John, N. B.; Spartel, Boston; Frank Leaning, Brasilear City; steamer Rattlesnake, Boston.

Below—Brig Catharine, Ivigtut.

Sld. barks Alexander, Rotterdam; Margarida, (Port.,) Oporto; steamers Centipede, Boston; Koman, Boston; Hunter, Providence; Tonawanda, Savannah.

PORTLAND, Nov. 21.—Arr. steamer Eleanora, New-York.

Cld. schr. Vineyard, Rosebrook, Charleston, S. C. 21st, sld., ship B. Sewoll, (new,) Baltimore.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.—Arr. ships Great Western, New-York; Legion of Honor, (Br.,) Montevideo, Sept. 9; Ivanhoe, Rio Janeiro Aug. 31; Kate Davan, Port Sidney Sept 25.

Cld. ships H. L. Richardson, Liverpool; bark Le Baron, (Br.,) Queenstown.

TYBEE, Nov. 21.—Arr. schr. Nellie F. Sawyer, Matanzas.

Sld. barks Hope, (Norw.,) Reval, and Uriel, (Norw.,) do.; Aurora, Bali River, in ballast; ship Alexander, New-York.

WICKFORD, Nov. 19.—Arr. schr. Ann T. Sipple, South Amboy.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Nov. 21.—Arr. bark Ludwig, (Norw.,) Hull, Eng., Sept. 23.

Sld. brig Helios, (Ger.,) Hamburg; schr. J. W. Haight, Philadelphia.

LEWES, Del., Nov. 21, P. M.—The pilot boat Cape reports the brig Catherine put back from her trip to Greenland, and passed in last evening.

Barks Alexander and Margarida went to sea last night.

Brig Alice Abbott remains for New-York.

Schr. Empress Eugenie is here to load.

NEW-ORLEANS, Nov. 21.—Cld. steamers Hudson and General Meade, New-York; Field Marshal Moltke, Bremen.

Sld.—Brig Amalelo, Antonio.

NEWCASTLE, Del. Nov. 21.—P. M.—Passed down this afternoon, steamers Roman, Boston, Tonawanda, Savannah; Sussex, Providence; schrs. A. P. Nowell, Charleston; Major W. H. Tanburn, Richmond, Va.; Charlie Heam, do.; Mary G. Farr, Boston; William Wiley, do; Eva, Belle, do.; barks Martin Luther, (Norw.,) Queenstown or Falmouth for orders; Alwid, (Norw.,) Limerick; Ossaua, (Ital.,) Trieste; brig Sauile, (Ital.,) Naples.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Nov. 20.—Arr. bark Lizzie Gillespie, Sidney.

Cld. barks Beatrice, Perarth Roads; King Sverre, Hull; ships Ocean, and Dunrobin, Liverpool; schrs. Lizzie, and Little Annie, Boston; brig Jeannie Marie, France; schr. The Star, Boston.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Nov. 21.—Nine ships, 17 barks, 1 brig, 13 brigantines, and 36 schooners are loading for the States, besides a large number of schooners in the coasting trade. There are now in port vessels aggregating 26,000 to 30,000 tons.

QUEBEC, Nov. 21.—The steam-ship Polynesian sailed at noon to-day for Liverpool, being the last steamer from Quebec this season.

LEWES, Del., Nov. 21.—All the eastern bound vessels cleared during the night. The brig Alice Albert remains for orders. The revenue steamer Hamilton has left. A stiff wind blows from the north-west.

NEWCASTLE, Del., Nov. 21.—Passed up, steamer Centipede, from Boston; schrs. J. R. Howard, from St. John, N. B.; Charles E. Jack, from Portsmouth; J. H. Bartlett, from Boston; J. R. Clement, from Newfoundland.

Passed down, schrs. Eliza B. Conroy, J. R. Cottingham, and John W. Hall, for Boston; Nellie M. Snow, for Wellfleet; M. H. Reed and Hattie Perry, for New-Bedford.

GALVESTON, Texas, Nov. 2.—Arr. steamers San Marcos, Liverpool; Arch Druid, New-York; barks Eagle, Portland; Hjemmet, Norway.

Cld. steamer San Jacinto, Liverpool; bark Enrique, Liverpool.

Sld. bark Galveston, Liverpool.

Sld. from Bolivar Roads brigs Minnie Abbie, Boston; W. H. Moore, whaling cruise; schrs. Sunny South and Adeline Elwood, Fall River.

NEWCASTLE, Del., Nov. 21.—Noon.—Passed down schrs. Seguin, for Portland; Mollie Porter, for Provincetown; Providence, for Providence. Passed up schr. Charles S. Rogers, from Rockport.

PROVIDENCE, Nov. 20.—Arr. bark Elliott Ritchie, Galveston; schrs. Stephen G. Hart, Savannah; Silver Dart, Rappahannock River; Speedwell and Geo. E. Bowdin, Baltimore; Sarah A. Reed, Philadelphia; Alton T. Miner, Poughkeepsie; Ann Elizabeth and Georgiana, Hoboken; Huntress, Dennisville; W. D. Cargill, Calais.

Below, schrs. Hattie M. Mayo, Calais; A. S. Stinson, Bangor.

Sld. schrs. Charlie Bell, (Br.,) St. John, N. B.; J. Y. Smith, Georgetown, D. C.; L. S. Levering, Philadelphia; Elisha T. Smith, Blackstone; Northern Light and M. Knowles, New-York.

FOREIGN PORTS.

HONG KONG, Nov. 20.—The British ship Atlantic, which sailed hence Oct. 31 for Portland, Oregon, has returned leaky and must repair.

PORT COLBORNE, Ont., Nov. 21.—A large fleet of vessels came in this morning

The barge Lester has been lightered off and gone into St. Catharine's dry dock.

A brisk south-west wind prevails.

QUEBEC, Nov. 21.—The bark Augustina before reported in collision in Traverse Bay, has arrived here, having lost her jibboom and headgear, and received other damage. She was in collision with the bark W. A. Muller, with a cargo of grain from Montreal to London. The Muller was slightly damaged, but she proceeded on her voyage. The Augustina will probably be ready for sea on Wednesday next.

HALIFAX, Nov.